Loans to officers for purchase of motor cars.

201. **MR. K. C. CHANDI** (*Minachil* cum *Devicolam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total amount of loans advanced to the officers for the purchase of motor cars in the years 1105 and 1106 ;

(*b*) whether they are aware of any instance in which the loan was not utilised for the purpose ; and

(*c*) if so, the action taken by them ?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Rs. 22,280 in 1105 and Rs. 28,509 in 1106.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*).

Statement, by caste, of peons in the Anchal Department at the end of 1106.

202. **MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN** (*Kunnatnad*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the peons, both permanent and acting, in the Anchal Department at the end of 1106 ?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : The statement * is laid on the table.

Statement, by caste, of officers on salaries of Rs. 20-50, and Rs. 50 and over in the Huzur Office

203. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the officers drawing a salary of Rs. 20 to 50 and Rs. 50 and over in the Huzur Office ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The statement † containing the information is laid on the table.

Demands for Grants.

PRESIDENT : The next business is the voting of Demands for Grants and the discussion of cut motions. The motions will be discussed in the order in which they are printed in the list. I shall remind the members that the time-limit for all members is 5 minutes except for the mover and for the official member who has the right to reply.

Demand I—Land Revenue.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income-Tax Commissioner*) : Sir, I move for a grant not exceeding Rs.7,84,054 under Demand I-Land Revenue.

Motion No 1.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : Sir, I beg to make the following motion :

To reduce the allotment of Rs.14,814 for establishment by Re. 1

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* *Vide* Appendix VI—page v.

† *Vide* Appendix VII—page vi.

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[Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai.]

My object in tabling this motion is to draw the attention of the Government to the inaccurate gradation list prepared and kept in the office of the Land Revenue Commissioner and the consequent injustice caused to a certain class of officers in the Land Revenue Department. I particularly refer to the gradation list of the clerks in the Deparment. I believe, Sir, it is our duty to bring to the notice of the Government the grievances of the public in general, and likewise also the legitimate claims of officers in the public service of the State.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*) : On a point of order, Sir, the motion is to reduce the allotment under a specific item - establishment—and the member is discussing the policy with regard to the gradation list of the whole department. I submit that, according to the rulings and precedents in this Council, the member has to confine his remarks to the particular head with reference to which the cut is proposed.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : May I say a word on the point of order, Sir? I welcome the motion. I think it is in order, because it relates to a record kept in my office.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : Sir, my point, *viz.*, the injustice caused to a particular class of officers in the Land Revenue Department, will be made clear by my reference to the treatment accorded to the whole class of Assistant Tahsildars and Head Accountants who were absorbed in the Rs. 40-70 scale, on 1-4-1101, when all the posts of Assistant Tahsildars were abolished. Prior to that, the Assistant Tahsildars had a permanent pay of Rs. 70-90, and the Head Accountants had a pay of Rs. 50-60. When these men were absorbed, they were given ranks below all the clerks in the department on Rs. 40-70.

Sir, I understand that the Government have laid pown certain rules for fixing the ranks of officers. There are three such rules, if my information is correct. Rule (1) is that the date of confirmation should fix the rank. Rule (2) says that, where the date of confirmation is the same in more than one case, the rank prior to confirmation must prevail. And Rule (3) is to the effect that, if officers belonging to different cadres are absorbed into the same cadre, the pay at the time of such absorption should fix the rank. Sir, in absorbing these Assistant Tahsildars and Head Accountants in the 40-70 scale, it is Rule (3) that has to be applied. They should have been placed above all the clerks, on 40-70, who were drawing a permanent pay less than that of these two sets of officers I am now referring to.

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Are those rules referred to by the member, rules published by Government?

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : I do not know whether any G. O.

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MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastiswaram*): I am not able to hear the member.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Does Mr. Nadar refer to me, Sir?

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastiswaram*): Yes, Sir.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I, in turn, ask the Secretary whether these rules have not been followed by the Land Revenue Commissioner?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I merely wanted to know for information whether the rules had been published by Government. The member was reading the rules.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastiswaram*) Nor am I able to hear the Secretary, Sir. If members make it a point to speak low, it is impossible for the House to take genuine interest in the discussion. It is better to have loud speakers installed if members are not going to speak louder.

PRESIDENT: Members will, please, speak up.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I ask the Secretary whether these rules are not the rules followed by the Government?

PRESIDENT: The Secretary has asked you a question. You may answer it if you like.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Sir, I am not sure whether these rules have been published in the *Gazette* or not. I believe these are the rules according to which ranks are fixed; and now that the member, who asks me a question, has not contradicted me, I take it that these are the rules that are followed.

Sir, it is just to draw the attention of the Government to the injustice, consequent on the violation of these rules by the authorities of the department, that I make this motion for the acceptance of the House.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnatur*): Can the member point out a specific instance?

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): I can do it, if am allowed to it. I did not want to refer to individual cases.

Very recently, Sir, an instance occurred in consequence of the amalgamation of the Kandukrishi and the Melkanganam Departments. An officer who was only a non-graduate, who was acting as Melkanganam Tahsildar, was given preference to the then acting Kandukrishi Tahsildar who had a longer acting period and who, I believe, is a graduate-in-law with all departmental qualifications. I may mention for the enlightenment of the House that, when this non-graduate was appointed to act as Melkanganam Tahsildar, Government had definitely stated in the order that the appointment was not to be taken as a claim for being appointed when the vacancy became permanent.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnatur*): May I know the name of the non-graduate, please?

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MR. N. K KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): I do not want to mention names. If my friend had not asked me to refer to a specific instance, I would not have referred to this instance at all. I think the non graduate gentleman is Mr. Aundy Chandrasekhara Aiyar.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): May I know the name of the other gentleman, the graduate-in-law?

MR. N. K KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): One Mr. Padmanabha Pillai. For purposes of comparison, I may also mention that, when Mr. Padmanabha Pillai was appointed in the Rs. 40-70 scale, he was getting a permanent pay of Rs. 65 or Rs. 70, whereas this Mr. Chandrasekhara Aiyar was then getting only Rs. 50 or 55.

Apart from this individual instance, Sir, I find that this is an injustice which is being perpetrated in the case of the whole class of officers who were formerly Assistant Tahsildars and who, for no fault of theirs, were drafted as clerks in the offices of the Dewan Peishkars, or in the office of the Land Revenue Commissioner, when the posts of these Assistant Tahsildars were abolished in 1101. I therefore place the motion for discussion in this House.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Sir, I would like to give my emphatic support to the motion. It is not at all to one's liking to refer in this House to individual cases in discussions of this kind. But, to make matters clear, it has been found necessary to refer to individual instances. But it must be remembered that the remarks offered with respect to this one case apply equally to other similar instances in the department.

It appears, Sir, that, some years back, one Mr. Padmanabha Pillai- why not I put it frankly; anyhow names have been mentioned; I will make the position clear by explaining the position in detail for the consideration of the House—who was Assistant Tahsildar was absorbed as a clerk on Rs. 70. —I think the maximum of the Rs. 40—70 scale. Before he was recruited as Assistant Tahsildar he was in the Education Department on a scale of Rs. 50-70-120; and it was on account of his special qualifications that he was recruited as Assistant Tahsildar on Rs. 70-90, and not because he had applied for the post. Later on, when these Assistant Tahsildars were abolished, Mr. Padmanabha Pillai was absorbed as a clerk and was given the maximum in the scale of Rs. 40-70. When the post of a Kandukrishi Tahsildar became permanently vacant, objection was raised against him that he was only an acting hand. Sir, simply because on account of the abolition of the posts of Assistant Tahsildars, the posts turned out to be temporary, it should not be argued that that was only temporary service even for the permanent Government servants who happened to get chosen as Assistant Tahsildars. That is very unfair. It should not be argued that the period of service as Assistant Tahsildars would not be counted for their seniority in service. When the question of the absorption of these men as clerks arose, the question arose as to the rule which is to be applied to them. My friend, Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai, has read out three rules for the enlightenment of the House. The question arose as to which of

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these three rules should be applied to the case of the Assistant Tahsildars when they were to be absorbed as clerks. Sir, the Secretary was asking Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai whether the rules had been published by the Government. Other questions were asked also by other members on the official benches. Sir, with a view to elicit information on these matters, I had asked several interpellations which, in fairness to the House, ought to have been answered before to-day so that we could have had the benefit of the information for the discussion of the demands for this department. We have, I submit, the right to get these questions answered in time. When that has not been done, I submit, it does not look well for the official members now to ask us, "Is it a public document that you are now referring to? Can you prove it? What is your authority?" and so on. The rules have been referred to by my friend, the mover; and if there is any error, it is open to the official members to correct him. It is open to them to say that there are no such rules, if really there are none. My information, Sir, is that this question of the rank, to be given to the disbanded Assistant Tahasildars in the clerical grade in the department, has been raised more than once and that two successive Dewans have definitely ruled that it is rule (3) that is to be applied. I am speaking subject to correction.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): What is rule No. (3), please?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Two previous Dewans, I am told, have ordered that promotions should be given according to the third rule. Mr. Robinson, I am told, has now decided that that rule should not be applied.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*). One is exceedingly sorry that such subjects come up for discussion especially at a time when Mr. Robinson is about to leave the service after a long, honourable, honest and self-less official career. Any way it is a matter

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*); What is the basis for that statement?

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): I am subject to correction. I will be only glad to hear otherwise.

My submission is that the whole thing is due to the defect of the system. We hear so much heart-burning from these petty clerks in the Land Revenue Commissioner's office and elsewhere. To avoid such criticism, it would be well and useful for guidance in future if the publication of the gradation list is absolutely insisted upon and also if a provision be made that whosoever applies for copies of those lists may be given them for a price. Then, it would become a public document, and nobody could tamper with it without incurring the risk of being handled up for fabrication of false records. Therefore, it would be more useful if Mr. Robinson would assure the House that such a system would be insisted upon in future so that at least his successors may not be made the victims of the misfortune of hearing such criticisms for irregularities for which, probably, they may not be at fault at all.

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Sir, I am glad that this question has come up for discussion because it will clear the air of a good deal of misconception. Shortly after I took charge of this department, I had a gradation list printed containing all subordinates right down to the acting Accountants. It took us two years to prepare this. Such a list has never been got up before; and I had this list carefully checked in each Dewan Peishkar's office and in each Taluk Office, from the service book entries and pay bills.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the member assure the House that promotions and confirmations have been done so far according to the list he is referring to?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I will come to that. I may be permitted to develop my argument; and I am prepared to answer all questions at the end of my speech.

The preparation of the list took us a long time; and then it was sent to Government for scrutiny. The list was then sent to the Account Office for further scrutiny. The list was then got printed, and copies were supplied to the Dewan Peishkars and to every Taluk Office so that every one in the department may know his rank in the service; and, if any injustice is found in the list, the aggrieved party can put in an appeal and get justice. Further, at the time of the preparation of the gradation list, I had invited objections from persons who feel that they have been prejudicially affected. Such cases have been brought to my notice, and, after enquiry, corrections have been made.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Is the gradation list available to all people?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): We have only a limited number of copies. It is open to everybody to see the list; and if anybody has any complaint, that may be brought to my notice for rectification.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapali*): Can the acting hands in the department put in their claims?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Everybody who has put in any service is entitled to put in his claims. Even the acting men are given a chance of looking into the gradation list and to put in their claims if the entries in the gradation list are wrong.

Coming to the point, the seniority of men was fixed by the date of confirmation according to the gradation list, as was stated by Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai. If two men are in the same grade from a particular date, the question of seniority among them was fixed according to the previous service of the two. In this connection, the question of Assistant Tahsildars came up before me very recently. As Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai said, certain persons went out as Assistant Tahsildars. When the posts were abolished, they naturally reverted to their permanent

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appointments. It was then held by Government that the Assistant Tahsildars posts were only temporary posts, and that the men could not claim that pay when the posts were abolished. They naturally reverted to their own original posts.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Was the pay of the Assistant Tahsildars from Rs. 80 to 120?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Their pay was from Rs. 75 to 100. They were appointed from several departments, from all sorts of grades; and when the posts were abolished they went back to their original grades.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): What was the substantive post of Mr. Padmanabha Pillai when he reverted from the place of Assistant Tahsildar?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I shall answer that question after I finish my speech. My time is limited.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Is it open to any officer to see the gradation list and to have corrections made hereafter also?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I wish to know whether any period was fixed within which the aggrieved party should apply and get the corrections made?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): If anybody is aggrieved he may submit a representation at any time.

The other day a case came up in which a certain Assistant Tahsildar had no permanent footing in the department at all, and when the post was abolished he came into one of the lower grades. He put in a petition saying that he should be given a higher place considering his qualifications. The matter was referred to Government. Government, after considering the matter, ordered that when a vacancy occurs, his claim may be considered. There were then 16 other people in that category.

Now, coming to Mr. Aundy Chandrasekhara Aiyar and Mr. Padmanabha Pillai, as was stated by Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai, he had put in seven interpellations about the matter. I have answered all of them; but I am sorry the member has not yet got the answers. The case arose thus. Mr. Krishnamurthi Aiyar was suddenly taken as Private Secretary to Dewan Bahadur T. Raghavaiah when he went to the Round Table Conference. We had to relieve him at once and fill up the vacancy. We took the list of the men next in rank. The first man was Mr. Sankara Varier; he was not eligible for promotion. I may say here that whenever supersession is made, I have followed the invariable rule of recording the reasons for such supersession. As I said, the first man had not passed the departmental test and so was

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not eligible for promotion. The second was Mr. Sivarama Pillai. He was already acting in that grade. The next man was Mr. Narayana Pillai who was already acting in a higher post. Then the fourth man was Mr. Ramachandra Aiyar who was acting on a higher post. The fifth man in the list was found to possess the necessary qualifications. So, he was eligible for promotion and was put in that post. Government did not say that he should not be appointed; they said, however it was better that the man should not claim any seniority on accou the acting appointment.

I think Mr. Aundy Chandrasekhara Aiyar went as Melkang Tahsildar and Mr. Padmanabha Pillai as Kandukrishi Tahsildar. latter was in that post even before Mr. Chandrasekhara Aiyar as Melkanganom Tahsildar. When these posts were amalgam naturally the junior man among them had to revert to his old Mr. Padmanabha Pillai certainly has higer general qualifications. has also passed the Survey Test; but it has been declared that the was not necessary for the Melkanganom Tahsildar's post. In o the interpellations of Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai, there was a que about the Survey Test. The Melkanganom Tahsildar has no wo do under the Survey and Boundaries Regulation. All the work w is intended to be done by the Melkangahom Tahsildar was us being done by the Tahsildar who is in charge of the taluk. So Melkanganom Tahsildar has nothing to do with survey work, or the transfer of *pattas*. All that is being done under the orders of Taluk Tahsildar. Therefore since Mr. Chandrasekhara Aiyar was th next man in the list, with the requisite qualification, he was put i charge of both the duties of the Melkanganom and Kandukrish Tahsildars.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whet there is necessity for re-assessment of Kandukrishi lands?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax C missioner*): How does it arise?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): I shall show the releva Sub-divisions of Kandukrishi lands may have to be made. Wit survey training, how can one do that?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax missioner*) I remember, on one occasion, I had to make a ref to Government as to whether it would be desirable to insist on training qualification for Melkanganom Tahsildars. Governm not replied to that.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Is there a rule kanganom Accountants and pakuthi officers should have s fication?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income-Tax missioner*) Yes.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Then, may I know their work, in that respect also, is controlled by the Melka Tahsildar, or whether there is some other officer to supervise it.

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income-Tax Commissioner*) : It was not necessary to insist on survey test. Under the Survey and Boundaries Regulation the Taluk officers have to follow the rules laid down there.

MR. A THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Mr. Robinson says that Melkanganom pakuthi officers and the Accountants should have the survey qualifications. If that is so, how is it that the Tahsildar may be exempted from passing that test if he has to check the work of these subordinate officers ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I will come to that later on.

The other officers who formerly held these posts were Mr. M. R. Govinda Pillai and Mr. K. Govinda Pillai. They had not passed the Survey Test. Then, there was another officer who had no knowledge of English even, I think his name is Mr. Govinda Pillai. The test has not been considered necessary. Some of the Accountants, who had survey training qualification, have been asked to take measurements under the Boundaries Regulation.

MR A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Does Mr Robinson say that this work of sub-division cannot be done by the Melkanganom Tahsildar, and that it would be better to have it done by the Taluk Tahsildar ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and. Income Tax Commissioner*) : That is a simple matter after all. It is only a question of giving the land to A or B or C. Anybody can do that. Even a peon can do it. No survey training is necessary for that.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : I wish to know whether it is a fact that Government once passed orders that Mr. Padmanabha Pillai should be considered senior to Mr. Aundy Chandrasekhara Aiyar, after this list was prepared

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I do not know. Mr. Padmanabha Pillai can very well put in a petition to Government representing his grievances. I can assure the members that his case will be considered on its merits and justice will be done to him.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Sir, my question is simple; whether it is a fact that Government once passed orders declaring Mr. Padmanabha Pillai as the senior ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I do not know that. If he has any grievance, Mr. Padmanabha Pillai can very well put in an appeal. In fact, I believe he has sent up a memorial ; and I think it is pending before the Government.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : Sir, Mr. Robinson has not answered my question. What is the substantive pay of Mr. Padmanabha Pillai.

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not know that at present. I shall find it out for the member. His memorial is pending before Government.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): May I know from Mr. Robinson whether the gradation list referred to by him is available to the public?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): If any of the members want to see that, they are at perfect liberty to do so.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Is it available for sale?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): There are only a limited number of copies. The book contains 284 pages of closely printed matter. It is difficult to classify it into communal and castewar statements.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Is it calico bound?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income-Tax Commissioner*): Yes.

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Sir, I may say a word on this subject. Mr. Padmanabha Pillai has submitted a memorial and it is before the Government. It is being examined.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): I believe the House is not concerned with representations of particular individuals.

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The whole question is under examination by Government. Mr. Robinson has raised certain difficulties and Government have not passed final orders on them yet.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Do the Government accept the suggestion made by Mr. E. V. Krishna Pillai?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): The Secretary assures the House that the whole question is under examination. And since the points raised in the memorial are already under consideration, I beg leave to withdraw the motion.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): My question has not been answered by Mr. Robinson.

PRESIDENT: It has already been stated that the whole qestion is being looked into.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion No 2

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I beg to make the following motion:—

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To reduce the allotment of Rs. 14,814 for establishment by Re. 1.

The object of the motion is to draw the attention of Government to the necessity or desirability of postponing the enforcement of payments from persons who have taken the agricultural loans. Sir, there is the Agricultural Loans Regulation; there are also the rules passed thereunder. Not to speak about the administration of the funds itself nor about the corrupt influences which are brought to bear on this branch of the administration, the officers in charge of these funds have not yet understood the Regulation and the Rules in the spirit in which they have to be understood. The Rules provide that a loan may be distributed over a period of 20 years.; but there is not a single instance in which such a period has been sanctioned. Ordinarily, a loan is given for five or six years, and the refund has to begin at the first or the second year. That is a matter of real grievance to the people of the State. The spirit in which the Rules and the Regulation were passed is not being followed in working them at all. I am not going to speak about the laxity in the disbursement of the funds now. I will do that when I come to motion No. 9. I need not make a long speech to impress upon the members of this House the desirability of extending the period of these loans. It is agreed on all sides that it is very difficult for the agriculturists to find proper price for their produce. These loans are made on immovable properties; and therefore, the department is not going to suffer materially by extending the time; because they have taken sufficient security. The Banking Enquiry Committee and Economic Depression Enquiry Committee have unanimously recommended that some extension of time may be given to these defaulters. But I am sorry to say that nothing has been done in this matter. Instead of making a long speech, I will simply refer to one or two paragraphs of the reports of these two Committees.

MR. KOCHEEPPEN MAPPILAI (*Nominated*): വ്യവസായഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെൻറിൽ നിന്നും കൊടുത്തിരിക്കുന്ന കടത്തിൻെറ ഘഡുക്കം അടക്കാൻ കാലാവധി നീട്ടിക്കൊടുക്കേണ്ട ആവശ്യമില്ലെ ?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): We are now dealing with the Land Revenue Department and not with the Department of Industries.

> "Other complaints are that the periods for which loans are granted are too short, being usually only five to seven years or ten years at the most, and that recovery is effected generally from the next year after the grant of the loan. It was suggested that rules under the Regulation should be suitably amended. But we find that the rules allow a maximum period of twenty years, repayment being started at dates not exceeding two and a half years from the date of disbursement of the loan. The complaints are probably based on a misunderstanding caused by the practice."

I refer to this particular paragraph simply to show that the object with which this Regulation was passed was to advance money so that

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some improvement may be effected on the land with the funds thus advanced. The spirit of that Regulation is that the borrowers may be given sufficient time so that they may effect improvement on the land and there may not any difficulty in paying back their dues. But that is not the spirit with which the rules are being worked at present.

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*) Does the member want any change in the Rules?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) Certainly; this is not the first time I have moved before this House for the desirability of making a change in the Rules. It has been mooted long ago. The Banking Enquiry and the Economic Depression Enquiry Committees have discussed these questions at length.

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): Will the member suggest how a change may be effected?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): That is a question which will take me away from the motion. If the officers who are expected to work the Rules cannot or not going to do it properly, there is no use of passing any rules at all.

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): If I remember right, the member said that he wanted more time to be given to the agriculturists for the repayment of these loans. May I know from him the time he would recommend for repayment?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): The Banking Enquiry Committee have definitely fixed a time. At the most, the period may be fixed at one year till the end of 1108.

The member in charge may reply that it would be difficult because Government have to suspend lakhs of rupees under Land Revenue and Agricultural Loans. It is very clear from the report of the Land Revenue Department that the department may not feel much difficulty in postponing the collection of the dues, because the arrears on account of this item amounted to only Rs. 36,000 in 1105. In 1106 it was only Rs. 17,000 not to speak about the enhancement under this head. The investment on account of agricultural loans up to the year 1105 will be below a lakh of rupees. And the arrears would not be much.

With these few words, I move the motion for the acceptance of the House.

MR. A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vaikam*): മി: കെ. പി. നീലകണ്ഠപ്പിള്ള ഇവിടെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള മോഷനെ ഞാൻ പിൻതാങ്ങിക്കൊള്ളുന്നു. ഉല്പന്നങ്ങൾക്കു ശരിയായ വിലകിട്ടാത്ത ഒരു കാലത്തു ശരിയായ കരുവില വരുന്നതുവരെ അവധി നീട്ടിക്കൊടുക്കണമെന്നാണ് എന്റെയും അഭിപ്രായം. അതിനാൽ ഒരു സഭയുടെ മുൻപാകെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ഒരു ഉപക്ഷേപം സഭയുടെ ഗാഢമായ ശ്രദ്ധക്ക് വിഷയീഭവിക്കുമെന്നുള്ള വിശ്വാസത്തോടുകൂടി ഞാൻ ഒരു ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ പിൻതാങ്ങിക്കൊള്ളുന്നു.

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MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): Sir, I also wish to support the motion with a view to bring to the notice of the House the difficulty experienced by the ryots in paying back the loans due to the Government under the Agricultural Loans Regulation. The agriculturists find it difficult even to pay the tax to Government. The floods and other seasonal adversities have troubled them a good deal in recent years. So, it may be advisable to postpone the repayment for some time. But if the power of deciding who is the proper person to whom extension of time must be granted is given to the Tahsildars, I think the majority of the people are not going to get any advantage out of it at all. If the head of the department comes to know of the fact, proper justice will be done. But he may not be able to go in detail into every case and he will have to allow the subordinates to handle some of the cases at least. In that case, it is not likely that all will get justice from their hands. I speak of this from my own personal experience in my own constituency. The power of deciding who should get a reduction of revenue as a result of the floods of 1106 was given to the Tahsildar of my taluk and he vested that right in his Provertikars who again in their turn vested them in their subordinates, the Accountants and peons. They went from field to field, collected information and submitted their reports. The Provertikar in his turn submitted his report based on those of the peons and the Tahsildar based his report on that of the provertikar. As a result of this arrangement the low-paid authorities of the department were left to decide who should get reductions. If in this case also the power is left in the hands of the subordinate officials of the department I do not think any good will accrue to the cultivators.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara cum Kunnattur*): May I know who should decide this question in the opinion of the member?

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): It must be decided by the Commissioner himself; or a uniform reduction or postponement should be made without giving descretionary power to any of the officers of the department. With this alteration in the manner of carrying out the postponement of collection of the loans, I wish to support the motion.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Sir, in supporting the motion made by Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai, I wish to say a few words. Those loans were granted for the purpose of relieving the condition of the distressed ryots; and, the loans were advanced at a time when the condition of the ryots was very bad. It has now been recognised on all hands that the condition has not in any way improved. The honest ryot who borrowed money from Government and invested it on lands has not yet been able to recoup the amount. The agricultural produce that he has been able to raise from the land has kept on falling in price and naturally he suffers loss. Every report of the Land Revenue Department clearly emphasises this point, namely, that the economic depression has not in any way come down. On the other hand, it is likely to continue for some time more. If that be so, the case of the honest ryot who has honestly borrowed money and who had truly

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and honestly invested the amount for agricultural purposes, deserves very kind consideration at the hands of Government. This motion is only a corollary to the resolution that has already been passed by this House that coercive steps should not be taken this year and that such processes must be postponed. Government accepted the principle and ordered that till Vrischikam 1108 such processes would be postponed. If that is so, it is all the more reasonable why that rule should be held applicable to the agricultural loans also. Another reason also I have to urge in support of this motion. The lands have considerably gone down in price. The lands which used to fetch a fairly large amount on the day on which these loans were granted, would not fetch even one-fourth of that price now. I wish to draw the attention of the Government to the fact that in some of the sales conducted by Government for the recovery of the agricultural loans, the people have been put to great loss.

It will also be a great loss to Government. Further, if after auction and allowing the purchaser to bid in auction, the sale is not confirmed and is allowed to hang fire, it really works as a serious hardship to the purchaser. I make this statement on account of some of the pendencies in the matter of confirmation of sales conducted for the purpose of recovering agricultural loans. If these things were to continue we would not be in a position to recover the loans that we are entitled to recover for the simple reason that properties which we expected to fetch high prices would not fetch even one-fourth of what we expect.

A fourth reason is that in the case of agricultural loans the properties are sought to be sold for heavy sums and not for arrears of one, five or ten rupees as in the case of land revenue. It is for heavy sums amounting, in a vast majority of cases, to over a thousand rupees and extending in some cases to twelve thousand, fifteen thousand, and even twenty thousand rupees. The inducement to pay up this amount also ceases with the sales that are conducted. Under the Agricultural Loans Regulation, the only remedy open to Government is to sell the land; under the Regulation, the defaulter is not personally liable ; and if the properties are sold for a nominal sum Government can confirm the sale in the name of the purchaser. The debtor is then automatically discharged. He does not therefore, ordinarily, have an inclination to pay up. Therefore, in the interests of Government, more than in the interests of the people, I make this statement ; because this will be more acceptable to the Government. In whatever light the Government may view the matter, I hope they would accept the suggestion to postpone the enforcement of the payment of arrears by coercive processes. With these words, I support the motion.

MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR (*Ambalapuzha*) : In supporting this motion, I wish to draw the attention of the House to the special agricultural loans that have been granted to the *punja* cultivators of Kuttanad. These loans have been granted on special conditions. Sir, these agriculturists have collected their produce. But they have not been able to repay them so far and in all probability the time for repayment will

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have to be extended because the paddy has to be sold at a fair price. It is necessary that the defaulters are not asked, all on a sudden, to repay the money. Government have to devise ways and means to enable these ryots to make it easier for them to return the loans in easy instalments. I have to draw the attention of this House to the fact that these ryots contribute six lakhs of rupees every year as *taravila*. They have invested almost every thing they had on these lands; and they now come to Government for help to enable them to repay what they have borrowed from Government. With these words, I support the motion.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*): Sir, in supporting the motion of Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai, I agree with him in all the arguments so ably advanced by him. I do not want to waste the precious time of the House by repeating those arguments. I want to bring to the pointed attention of the House only the following two circumstances with reference to Nanjinad. Firstly, Nanjinad is taxed more heavily than any property anywhere in the world. With regard to the assessment of land revenue, it is stated in the Economic Depression Enquiry Committee Report:

> "By a mistake in converting the *kottah* and *marakkal*, the measurements for paddy in Nanjinad, into paras, the measurement current in the rest of Travancore, the Nanjinad ryots are being mulcted of more than their dues in taxes."

I propose to talk more on this topic when we come to my cut motion No 89. With these words, I support the motion so ably put forward by the honorable member for Chirayinkil.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Sir, agricultural loans are given on registered documents. The documents executed by the parties contain the undertaking by them to repay the loan in annual or biennial instalments. After the lapse of some time, we generally fix the date of the instalment so that it may coincide with one of the land revenue *kists*. The amount of instalment and the period within which the loan should be paid are fixed by the officers granting the loan with due regard to the probable time that would be taken for the improvements proposed to be effected and to the business of the borrower. Rule 10 of the Agricultural Loans Rules is the only provision under which we can give extensions of time. Under that rule, we can give an extension of time only for any one instalment at a time. That is, if I have taken a loan, and if I have to repay it in five annual instalments and if the first instalment is due this year, the officer granting the loan can give me an extension of time for this instalment this year. Then, next year two intalments would be due. He can then exercise his discretion again next year, and give further extension of time next year. These are the provisions under which extensions of time can be given.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Have not the Government power to extend the period of the loan?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I am coming to that. Extension of time can be given by

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[Mr. S. C. H. Robinson.]

the officer granting the loan. In view of the present financial stringency, the Government and the officers who have the power to grant these extensions, have been trying to work these rules very leniently. We have actually given extensions of time this year, with respect to loans amounting to Rs. 9,196. We have already given two extensions in several cases; and I do not know whether the need for a third extension has already cropped up. We examine each case on its merits. This is a proposition like the one for the postponement of the payment of taxes. We cannot grant a general moratorium since there are plenty of people who can pay and who do not want extensions. What we want is..... .....

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): Is it the member's idea that it is those who have no money difficulties and who can repay punctually, that have borrowed from the Government?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): There are, even among those who have barrowed from Government, who are able to pay.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): Is there not a sentence in the Government Proceedings on the report of the Land Revenue Commissioner that the Land Revenue Commissioner is requested to see that the arrears are not allowed to increase from year to year. Is the Land Revenue Commissioner going to act accordingly?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): But the Land Revenue Commissioner is expected to use his discretion. Should he blindly follow the Government Proceedings to the very letter? He can use his discretion, and, if necessary obtain previous Government sanction in deserving cases.

As I said, we have so far given extensions in regard to loans amounting to Rs. 9,196. The amount actually pending collection in Meenam 1107 is Rs. 1,66,952. I assure the House that each case will be considered on its merits, and extensions *will* be granted in all deserving cases.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): May I know who deals with these cases, the Land Revenue Commissioner, the Peishkar, or the Tahsildar?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): If the party is not satisfied with the decision of the Tahsildar he can go to the Dewan Peishkar; and if he is not satisfied there also he can go to the Land Revenue Commissioner, and finally to Government.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): By that time, will not his land be sold under the Revenue Recovery Regulation?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): He can get a stay order.

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MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): May I know whether Government would not charge interest during all this time?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) Yes, naturally, because it is a debt due to Government. It is public money belonging to the people of the State; and so, particular individuals should not be allowed to make use of the money without paying interest.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Since they are going to get interest, have the Government anything to lose by granting extensions of time?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): What I say is that we *have* been granting extensions. But, we should not, in the interest of the general public, allow our money to lie idle with particular individuals for an indefinite period.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Has not the Commissioner got a large number of applications for extensions of time?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I have received a fair number of applications.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Roughly, how many applications has he received?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): About 7 to 10 so far this year. If the present motion is carried, naturally, I may get them in greater numbers.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): May I know the amounts due in the seven or ten cases?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot give the amounts off-hand. I know extensions of time have been given in regard to loans amounting to Rs. 9,196 including interest.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Does the member know, in how many cases, sales have been effected?

MR. S. C. H ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I am not in a position to give the number.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) Is there any case in which the Land Revenue Commissioner has been informed that the sale of the property could not be resorted to for the realisation of the debt actually due on it?

MR S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot say what the vakil's arguments will be when they come up before me in all these cases.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Sir, I am only drawing the member's attention to the fact that there are cases in which the whole of the amount due could not be realised by the sale of the property.

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not remember whether there have been such cases.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Is the member aware of of any instance, which took place this year or last year, in which the lands did not fetch even the principal amount for which they were pledged?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): If the members can refer me to any specific instance.....

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): My question is whether *he* is aware of any instance.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot bring to my mind any such case.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Is the member aware of the fact that, for getting extension of time from Tahsildars, the debtors have to spend a good deal of time, money and energy, and that it is very costly to come to the headquarters and get the justice that is denied to them in their own places?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not see why it should be costly. They need spend only less than half an anna for the matter, and write to me.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Are not these applications made through vakils?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) Sometimes they do so; and I hope kind-hearted vakils will not take any fees.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Do the parties come to the Land Revenue Commissioner direct, to get redress, or have they to engage vakils?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Sometimes they engage vakils, and sometimes they themselves come to me direct.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Does the member say that the necessity for engaging vakils, for redressing their grievances would not cost them anything?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): There are instances in which the parties come and see me direct. Even in cases in which vakils are engaged, I am sure there will be kind-hearted and public-spirited vakils, like the member, who will not charge any fees.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): What is the loss which the member thinks would be sustained by Government by accepting the suggestion that, for the next six months, no coercive processes should be taken for the realisation of agricultural loans due?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I say there *are* people who can pay, who *are* paying and who *are* willing to pay. Therefore to make a general rule like that would be dangerous.

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MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Does the member think that, if the concession is granted, he would not have at least one honest debtor who would pay if he could.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Sir, the member is trying to put into my mouth words which he wants to get from me.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Does the member apprehend that honest debtors would not be coming forward to pay if the suggestion now made is accepted ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income tax Commissioner*): I cannot answer hypothetical questions.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Are there not Government officers who have taken these loans from the Government ?

MR. S. C. H ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : There may be ; I do not remember any specific instance now.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Does the member think that these Government servants would avail themselves of this privilege if it is allowed ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : They probably would, if there is such chance of doing so ; any man would do it.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Is it the opinion of the member that, unless coercive steps could be taken, these persons would not come forward and pay ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Sir, the member is trying to—

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Has the Land Revenue Commissioner issued instructions that no property should be sold for anything less than its value as estimated at the time of granting the loan ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I have not given any such special instructions. There are rules under the Regulation to the effect that only so much of the property should be attached as would be necessary to realise the amount due.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Has any land fetched less than its value as estimated at the time of granting the loan ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I do not remember.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : Are not fees levied on applications for extension of time ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Yes, they have to affix a stamp of the value of half a rupee ?

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MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): From the reply of the Land Revenue Commissioner, I have come to the conclusion that, as a matter of fact, in accepting this motion, no more hardship will be caused to the department. He conceded that, even now, extensions are being given even in the case of two instalments in proper cases.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Sir, I wish to correct the member. I said "in deserving cases."

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I have to remind the member that I said "proper cases." By accepting this motion, I am sure the present working of the department will not be seriously affected.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I ask the member whether people, who get a very good income or are otherwise able to pay regularly, will not take undue advantage of this concession if it is granted?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): That is the very same argument which I used on a former occasion. Of course, in a matter of discretion, I may say that, with regard to the loans of some persons there will not be any difficulty in getting extension. But the poor man, who cannot make an impression upon the low-paid staff of the Tahsildar, cannot get any extension.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Does the member know that the Accountants are not concerned in the matter of giving extension; but that it is the officer who grants the loan that gives the extension?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I know. My grievance is that even the highest officer is led by the nose by the lowest officer.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): How does the member make that out, Sir?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Mr. Robinson was telling the House that even in cases in which an applicant has not been successful it will be open to him to go on appeal. I think it is very difficult under the existing Regulation to approach the Land Revenue Commissioner in these matters. As Mr. Robinson emphasised, the agreements executed by the applicants must be enforced, and they are, as a matter of fact, enforced. Therefore, when an appeal comes before the Peishkar he says that the Tahsildar has recorded that the agreement was executed by the party with open eyes and that therefore he is not going to interfere.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I ask the member whether he is making that statement from a perusal of the records or whether it is only his suspicion?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I am saying that from a perusal of the records.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I correct the member? I can assure the member that

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in several cases that have come up before me, extensions of time have been recommended?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Under Section 10 of the Regulation, an appeal can be preferred only if, after default, coercive steps are taken by the department.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I inform the member that it is not necessary?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): That is the only Section providing for appeal. When steps are taken under the Regulation to realise the instalment from the defaulter, then only will the suffering party be in order in preferring an appeal.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Which is the Regulation that the member is referring to?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): The Agricultural Loans Regulation. The course adopted there for realising the money from defaulters is by having recourse to the Revenue Recovery Regulation.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Does the appeal come under the Revenue Recovery Regulation or under the Agricultural Loans Regulation?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): In either case the appeal may come; but the statement of appeals for the year 1106 shows that only three cases went in appeal before the Land Revenue Commissioner, during 1106.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Is the application for extension of time made under any provision of law?

MR K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Yes.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Which Section?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Under a particular Section the officer has discretion to grant extension.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Is there any appeal against orders under that Section?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): No; that is the difficulty.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I know the authority of the member for saying that there is no appeal under this Section? When a Peishkar has rejected an appeal on the ground that he is not going to interfere with the opinion of the Tahsildar because the agreement was entered into by the party with open eyes, there is no appeal against it.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): To which Section does the member refer?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I will not be challenged on that point.

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I do not challenge the member. Under Section 10 there is an appeal.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Yes. That is with reference to the discretion to be exercised. There again, the applicant is concluded by the other Sections, and he cannot be allowed to go beyond the terms of agreement executed with open eyes. Therefore, there is no use in interpreting the Section in a lawyer like, subtle way. I say there is no difficulty in accepting this motion because already extensions are being granted by the Commissioner.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The principle can be accepted only conditionally.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Even according to the Land Revenue Commissioner there have been cases where extensions have been given twice. In the generality of cases extension has been given once with reference to loans of which the instalment comes to between Rs. 300 and Rs. 500 and an instalment falls due only in the course of six months. Therefore these persons want only an extension of one year. Therefore it is that Mr. Robinson has said that there are some cases in which two postponements are allowed.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Can the member mention the number of the Section which empowers the Land Revenue Commissioner to grant extensions?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Sir, I request that a copy of Regulation IX of 1094 and the Rules passed thereunder may be passed on to me.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know from the member whether it is not a concession that is asked for?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I was only emphasising the point that, if there is a provision enabling the head of the department to grant one postponement on representation being made, and in some cases two postponements, then there can be no difficulty in working the Regulation.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I ask the member whether he is in favour of allowing officers and other well-to-do persons, who *can* pay, regularly to evade payments?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): With reference to that proposition, I have no dispute and I hold that those people who can pay *must* pay.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): But will they not take undue advantage of such a proposal is accepted?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Even if all the instalments are postponed the State chest will be less full to the extent of only Rs. 75,000.

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Will it not be safer if it is left to the department to deal with deserving individual cases?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I am very sorry I cannot concede the proposition.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*): Does the member know that the Land Revenue Commissioner has signed the majority report of the Economic Depression Enquiry Committee?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Yes. By accepting this motion Government will only be safe-guarding the dignity of the Committee. I am inviting the Government to give effect to their recommendations.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): If the law does not allow the Land Revenue Commissioner to interfere in these matters, how is he going to act?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I can only ask that, if the law does not enable the Land Revenue Commissioner to grant extensions, how is it that he has interfered in the matter of postponing two instalments.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Can the member show that I have no jurisdiction to interfere?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): It is a question by which I am not going to be side-tracked. As a matter of fact ,I appeared for an appeal before Mr. Robinson and I have got a stay of the proceedings for recovery.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Under what Regulation?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Under the Revenue Recovery Regulation.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Not under the Agricultural Loans Regulation?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): No. That is the reason why I emphasised the point from the very beginning that a man is driven to the utmost necessity, before he can go to the Land Revenue Commissioner, under this Section. That is, he must wait till his lands are brought to sale before he can approach the Land Revenue Commissioner for help.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): In that particular case in which the member appeared, was the party put to any large expense on account of travel?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Of course, there is the question of the present economic depression and even the fee on that account was correspondingly low.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): If the law does not help him, how can the Land Revenue Commissioner do anything?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Anyhow the Peishkars can be asked to grant time.

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MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Is it the member's suggestion that the defect is in the law?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Yes. This law gives a lot of discretion to the Peishkar to extend the original term even to 20 years.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Then how does the member expect the Land Revenue Commissioner to act in disregard of the law?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Suppose an applicant is not prepared to pay up the instalments even though the Peishkar has rejected his application. What is the next step? The Tahsildar then issues a notice that the land will be sold and then it will be time for the party to go to the Land Revenue Commissioner.

MR. A. S DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Does the law prevent the Land Revenue Commissioner from granting time to the defaluter?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): The Land Revenue Commissioner can interfere in the matter personally, or direed the Peishkars to interfere. The Tahsildar or the Peishkar can deal with the application which prays for extension of time or for reduction oinstalments. My object is that the Peishkars and Tahsildars, who are invested with the dangerous authority of disposing of movables, are not the proper type of people whom we can expect to be very good hearted at this time of economic depression. Therefore this motion has to be accepted. I want to read, in this connection, the recommendation of the Economic Depression Enquiry Committee. They say:

> "Extension of time for the payment of moneys due to Government under agricultural and industrial loans should be granted to such applicants, as are found, on proper enquiry, to be unable to pay the amounts on due dates on account of economic depression."

This is their distinct recommendation. Of course, the adjudication as to which are proper cases and which are improper cases will be madeby the Government. If it concerns a rich man it will be probably be considered a proper case. But it will be considered as an improper case if a poor man is the applicant. If we postponed the collection, the loss in the expected revenue would be only to the extent of three-quarters of a lakh.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I inform the member that the collection in Medam 1107 amounted to Rs. 66,952?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): That again advances my argument. If as a result of the heartless action on the part of the department they were able to collect almost all the amount due my point is to what extent the people must have suffered in making the payments.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Is the condemnation wholesale or is it confined only to a few individuals?

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MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Of course, there may be exceptions. I never wanted to accuse the officers as a set. There are heartless people among officers as well as among non-officers.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Does the member recommend the grant of further loans to *punja* cultivators before they pay back their loans ?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : I do not want further loans to be given to the recipients of loans in cases where they have not been able to repay the instalments.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Is the member aware that the *punja* cultivators may come to us in large numbers for loans during the coming year ?

MR. K.P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : They may.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Does the member recommend that we should refuse loans to them wholesale ?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : There again if the cultivation has failed and the cultivator did not get anything even for the purchase of manure or seeds, I do not want him to be deprived of the opportunity of getting the loan. With these words, I press the motion.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Sir, I have only to repeat that this proposal is a very dangerous one to accept. Mr. Nilakanta Pillai is going to allow unscrupulous people to take undue advantage of this generous policy which he advocates. It means that a number of people who *can* pay the loans and who *have* other sources of income will not be slow to take advantage of this. If they can delay making payments they naturally *will*. I am sure that every member of the House will see that this is a suicidal proposition to put forward. The best course would be to leave it to the discretion of the officers, with the right of appeal to the head of the department or to Government. The House must concede that Government have been very sympathetic in matters regarding the collection of dues, and therefore they must have full confidence that every case will be dealt with according to its merits and that every deserving case will receive due consideration. Otherwise, if you pass such a rule blindly, it will only be suicidal and will allow the burden of the borrowers to accumulate. I can give the assurance that every deserving case will be considered carefully and sympathetically.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) : May I inform the member that the motion simply says that more time may be given and does not specify the exact period ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I did not note that point before.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivendrum*) : Is there any limit as to the time beyond which extension should not be granted ?

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : We have not had any case in which a number of extensions had to be granted. Under the rules, the instalments can be so fixed that the whole loan may be paid within 20 years and wherever we have found a hard case, we have written to the Dewan Peishkars to give an extension of time or to make the instalments annual instead of half yearly or to make such other arrangements as to make the payment easier. In every case we try to help the cultivator. We know quite well that, if we are not sympathetic, the cultivators would be ruined and that the prosperity of the Government would certainly be affected as it depends upon the prosperity of the people. We are fully aware of it, and we consider each case sympathetically on its own merits.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : I presume that the Government have power to revise the rules.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : These are rules framed by the Government; and they have power to alter them. As the House is well aware, any suggestions made in that direction will be considered by Government. But the proposal now put forward is suicidal. If extension of time is granted, the party will have to pay a bigger sum which would work hard upon him.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : May I know what the amount due to the people from Government as compensation for lands acquired by Government would come to ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I have not got the figures here.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Suppose the department, pretending to act on over sight, allows loan to a person in default of payment of a prior loan. Is there anything in the Regulation which would deprive them of recovering such grants ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Government are bound to act according to the Regulation passed in this Council. I think the Regulation will have to be amended before the Government could venture to break any of the conditions in the Regulation. Under the Regulation, as it stands, they would hesitate to grant such loans.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : After all, is it not a prayer for a concession ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I say that the concession is granted. We cannot allow persons who are not entitled to the concession to take undue advantage of it. The motion as it stands is suicidal in that. If you have any faith and confidence in Government, I am sure, you will take this assurance from me that every case will be dealt with on its own merits.

PRESIDENT : I have tried to follow the arguments of Mr. K. P Nilakanta Pillai, the mover. The official member has already accepted the principle of the motion, and he has explained that, as far as

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possible, under the law, concessions are granted, and that Government are prepared to grant such concessions in all deserving cases. A vote adverse to Government on this particular motion, will mean that the House considers that Government are *not* doing what the Land Revenue Commissioner says they *are* doing.

Do you wish to press the motion, Mr. Nilakanta Pillai?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : I beg leave to withdraw the motion, Sir.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion No. 3.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : സർ, ലാൻറ റവന്യൂവും ആദായനികുതിയും കമ്മീഷണരുടെ എസ്റ്റാബ്ലിഷ് മെൻറ ചിലവു ക്ര ർ, വ്യ ക്ര ർ രൂപായിൽ നിന്നും ൪ രൂപാകുറയ്ക്കണമെന്നുള്ള ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ ഞാൻ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചു കൊള്ളുന്നു.

ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം അവതരിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള കാരണം റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിൽ ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനം സംബന്ധിച്ചു നടക്കുന്ന അനീതികളെ വെളിപ്പെടുത്തി വേണ്ട പരിഹാരം നിർദ്ദേശിക്കുവാനാണു. ഈ വകുപ്പിനുള്ള പ്രാധാന്യത്തെ ഞാൻ പ്രത്യേകം വിവരിക്കേണ്ടിയിരിക്കുന്നില്ല. ജനങ്ങളിൽ വലിയ പങ്കും കൃഷിക്കാരാണല്ലൊ. സർവ പ്രകാരേണയും അവരുടെഗുണദോഷങ്ങളെ അല്ലെങ്കിൽ സുഖദുഃഖങ്ങളേ സാരമായി ബാധിക്കുന്ന വിധത്തിൽ പ്രവർത്തിച്ചു കൊണ്ടിരിക്കേണ്ട വകുപ്പാണിതു്. നികുതി പിരിക്ക, ഭൂമിപതിച്ചുകൊടുക്ക, തറവിലഇടാക്കുക, പുതുവൽ ഭൂമിലേലം ചെയ്യുക, പുറമ്പോക്കു് കൈയേറ്റത്തുതീരുമാനിക്കുക, കൃഷിലോൺ, കൃഷിബാങ്കുലോൺ, മുതലായവ കൊടുക്കുന്നതിനു വേണ്ട നടപടികൾ നടത്തുക....

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : I rise to a point of order, Sir. The member is discussing the question of appointments and the distribution of jobs in the department. The whole question is pending before a committee, and I do not know whether he will be in order in discussing that subject *seriatim*, under every Department, till the close of the session.

PRESIDENT : I think there is no objection if the member keeps within limits and refers only to the Land Revenue Department. He must speak only regarding the reduction of the allotment of Rs. 14,814 for establishment.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income-Tax Commissioner*) : I think we might discuss that now. All appointments in the department are subject to the control of the head of that department. I think it is better to discuss this communal side of the question now rather than at a later stage.

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MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : മറെറാരു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിനെയുംപ്പററി പറയുന്നില്ല. റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൻെറ ജോലിയുടെ ഗൌരവത്തെ വിവരിക്കയാണ്.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) : കമ്മിഷണരുടെ ആഫീസിനെപ്പററിയെ പറയാവു.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : കമ്മിഷണരുടെ ആഫീസ് ഭരണത്തിൻകീഴ് നടക്കുന്ന കാര്യങ്ങളെപ്പററിതന്നെ പറയുകയാണ്.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Had Sirkar Vakil*): അതു പാടില്ല, അദ്ദേഹത്തിൻെറ ആഫീസിനെപ്പററി പറയാം.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): അദ്ദേഹത്തിൻെറ ആഫീസ് ഭരണത്തിൻകീഴാണിതൊക്കെ. ഈ വിഷയത്തെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു എനിക്കു പറയുവാനുള്ള സമാധാനം ദയവു ചെയ്തു കേൾക്കണമെന്നപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു.

ഞാൻ പറഞ്ഞ സംഗതികളെല്ലാം റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിൻെറ അദ്ധ്യക്ഷനായ കമ്മിഷണരുടെ ഭരണത്തിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ളതാണ്. എസ്റ്റാബ്ലിഷ്മെൻറിൽ ഒരു തുക കുറക്കണമെന്നുള്ള ഇതു പോലെയുള്ള ഉപക്ഷേപത്തിൽ തന്നെ കൃഷി ലോണിനെപ്പററി ഇവിടെ മി: കെ. പി. നീലകണ്ഠപ്പിള്ള വാദിക്കുകയുണ്ടായി. ഞാൻ മാത്രമല്ല ഉദ്യോഗകയറെത്തെപ്പററി മി: കൃഷ്ണപിള്ളയും പറഞ്ഞു. ഞാൻ ഇവിടെ പറയുന്നതു റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ പൊതുവെയുള്ള കാര്യങ്ങളെപ്പററിയാണ്. അതു് കമ്മിഷണരുടെ ആഫീസു നിയന്ത്രണത്തിൽ പെട്ടതുമാണ്. അതുകൊണ്ടുഞാൻ എൻെറ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തിൻെറ പരിധിയിൽ നിന്നു കടന്നുപോയിട്ടില്ല.

മുൻപു പറഞ്ഞതുപോലെ ഭൂനികുതി പിരിക്കുക, ഭൂമി പതിച്ചുകൊടുക്കുക, കൃഷിലോൺ, കൃഷിബാങ്കുലോൺമുതലായവ കൊടുക്കുന്നതിനു വേണ്ട ശുപാർശകൾ ചെയ്യുക, മാക്കറുകൾ ലേലം ചെയ്തു കൊടുക്കുക, അതിൻെറ ഭരണം നടത്തുക, പുറംപോക്കു കേസെടുത്തു തീരുമാനിക്കുക, ഈശ്വരാരാധനകൾക്കും സ്മശാനത്തിനും മറുമായി സ്ഥലങ്ങൾ കൊടുക്കുക ഇവകളെല്ലാം ഈ വകുപ്പിൽ നിന്നുമാണുനടത്തേണ്ടിയിരിക്കുന്നതു്. ഇതിനും പുറമെ വോട്ടേർസ് ലിസ്റ്റ് തയ്യാറാക്കുന്നതും തിരഞ്ഞെടുപ്പുകൾ വേണ്ട ചുമതലകൾ വഹിച്ചു നടത്തുന്നതും ഫസ്റ്റ്ക്ലാസും ഡിസ്ട്രിക്റ്റും മജിസ്ട്രേട്ടധികാരങ്ങൾ നടത്തുക ഇവയെല്ലാം ഈ വകുപ്പിലെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ തന്നെയാണു നടത്തു

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ന്നത്. ഇങ്ങനെ സർവ്വപ്രധാനമായ ഒരു വകുപ്പിൽ ഈ രാജ്യത്തെ വമ്പിച്ച ജനവിഭാഗത്തിനു പ്രവേശം നൽകാതിരിക്കുന്നത് രാജ്യത്തിന്റെ സൽകീർത്തിക്കു വലിയ കളങ്കത്തിനും, ജനങ്ങളുടെക്ഷേമത്തിനും, സമാധാനത്തിനും നീതിക്കും ബാധകവും ഭരണാധികാരികൾക്കുതന്നെ ഒരു വലിയ അപവാദത്തിനു കാരണവുമാണെന്നതൊൻ ഗവണ്മെൻറിനെ വീണ്ടും ശക്തിയായി ഉൽബോധിപ്പിച്ച കൊള്ളുന്നു. ഈ വകുപ്പിൽ അഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും അവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും പ്രവേശനം നൽകുന്നതല്ലെന്നു വച്ചിരുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു നാടൊട്ടുക്കു പ്രക്ഷോഭണം നടക്കയും ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ പക്കൽ ഒരു ഡിപ്യൂട്ടേഷൻപോയി കാര്യങ്ങൾ ധരിപ്പിക്കുകയും ചെയ്തതിന്റെ ഫലമായി മറുവശ്ശക്കാക്കുള്ള പ്രവേശനത്തിനു തടസ്സമായിരുന്ന ദേവസ്വം വകുപ്പിനെ ഇതിൽ നിന്നും വേർതിരിക്കുകയും, അതു പ്രത്യേകമൊരു കമ്മിഷണരുടെ അധീനതയിൽ ആക്കുകയും ചെയ്തു. ഇതു അഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും അവർണ ഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ പ്രവേശനം നൽകണമെന്നുള്ള ഉദ്ദേശത്തോടുകൂടിയായിരുന്നു. എന്നാൽ ഫലമെന്താണ്. ഒന്നുമില്ല. വലിയ ഇച്ഛാഭംഗവും കുണ്ഠിതവുമാണു ജനങ്ങൾക്കുണ്ടായിട്ടുള്ളതു്. എല്ലാവക്കും ഈ ഭവനത്തിൽ പ്രവേശനമുണ്ടെന്നു് ഒരു ഭവനത്തിന്റെ മുമ്പിൽ എഴുതിവച്ചിട്ടു് അകത്തിരിക്കുന്നവർ അവരുടെ ആളുകളെമാത്രം അകത്തു പ്രവേശിപ്പിക്കുകയും മറുള്ളവരെ ദൂരത്തു ഓടിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്ന സമ്പ്രദായമാണു് ഇതിൽ നടക്കുന്നതു്. മൂന്നു പേഷ്കാരന്മാരും, ഏഴു ഡിവിഷൻ അസിസ്റ്റൻറന്മാരും, നാലു തഹശിൽദാർമാരും, ഒന്നര പാവ്ത്യകാരന്മാരും ഒരു ഹവൽദാരുമാരും ഈവകുപ്പിലുണ്ടു്. താഴെയുള്ളതാണല്ലൊ പാവ്ത്യകാർ ഉദ്യോഗം. ഫ ൪ മുതൽ ഫ ൽ വരെ പാവരെ ഇവക്കു ശമ്പളം നിശ്ചയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ ഇവരുടെ മുമ്പതലയൊ വളരെവലുതാണു്. ഫ ൦ വർഷത്തിനു ശേഷവും ഈ ൪ന്നു പാവ്ത്യകാരന്മാരിൽ ൪ ൦ ൦ പേരും പണ്ടത്തെപോലെ കാസ്റ്റു് ഹിന്തുക്കൾതന്നെ. ഒരു ഹവൽദാരുമാരിൽ എത്രയൊ ഭൂരിഭാഗമായ ഒരു ഭാഗമാണു അവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കളും, അഹിന്ദുക്കളുമുള്ളതു്. പേഷ്കാരന്മാരുടെ ഇടയിൽ ഈ വർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപ്പെട്ട ഒരാളുപോലുമില്ല. ഡിവിഷനസിസ്റ്റൻറന്മാരുടെ ഇടയിൽ ഈ അടുത്തകാലത്തു നിയമിച്ച ഒരാളുമാത്രമുണ്ടു്. തഹശിൽദാരന്മാരും അസമത്വസമുദായങ്ങളിൽനിന്നു വളരെ കുറച്ചെയുള്ളു. ഈ വിധത്തിൽ ഈ വകുപ്പു് പണ്ടത്തെനിലയിൽ സവർണ്ണമയമായിതന്നെ വച്ചുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നതു എത്രയൊ ആക്ഷേപയോഗ്യമായ ഒന്നാണെന്നു ആവത്തിച്ചുപറയാതെയിരിക്കുന്നതെങ്ങനെ?

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MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery cum Peermade*): ഈ ഡിപ്പാർട്ട മെൻറിന്റെ മേധാവി ഒരു സവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുവാണൊ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): അല്ലെന്നു സ്പഷ്ടം.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery cum Peermade*): പിന്നെ ആരാണ്?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഒരു യൂറോപ്യൻ ജൻറിൽമാൻ തനിനിലയിൽ ദയാലുവും, സുശീലനുമാകുന്നു. നല്ലയാളിൽനിന്നും വലിയ ദോഷഫലങ്ങൾ ഉണ്ടാകാറുണ്ടെന്നു ഒരു പഴഞ്ചൊല്ലുണ്ടല്ലൊ? അതുപോലെ ഇദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ വകുപ്പിൽനിന്നു അഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും അവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും ദോഷംതന്നെ ഫലം. സാധാരണ തഹശിൽദാർമാരും, പേഷ്കാർമാരും വർഗ്ഗീയപക്ഷപാതത്തോടുകൂടി നടത്തുന്ന നിയമനങ്ങളെസംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ അടുത്തു പരാതിപറയുമ്പോൾ "ഞാൻ എന്തുചെയ്യട്ടെ എനിക്കിതിൽ പ്രവേശിക്കാനധികാരമില്ലല്ലൊ" എന്നാണ് അദ്ദേഹം പറയാറുള്ളതു്. അതു വാസ്തവമായിരിക്കാം. കീഴ് സിൽബന്ധികൾ നടത്തുന്ന വർഗ്ഗീയപക്ഷപാതപരമായ നിയമനങ്ങൾക്കു ആരാണ് ഉത്തരവാദി.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery cum Peermade*): പേഷ്കാർക്കുവേണ്ട ഉത്തരവു നൽകാനുള്ള അധികാരം ലാൻറ്റവന്യു കമ്മിഷണർക്കില്ലെ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): അതു മറ്റു കാര്യങ്ങൾക്കുമാത്രമെയുള്ളു. ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ പേഷ്കാർമാർക്കു പൂർണ്ണാധികാരമുണ്ടെന്നാണ് കമ്മിഷണർ പറയുന്നതു.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): It can hardly come under establishment. It comes under the appointments made by the Dewan Peishkars.

PRESIDENT: The member must deal with establishment alone.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): കമ്മിഷണരുടെ എസ്റ്റാബ്ലിഷ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നു ഒരു തുപാ കുറയ്ക്കണമെന്നാണ് ഉപക്ഷേപം. അതിനാൽ കമ്മിഷണരുടെ എസ്റ്റാബ്ലിഷ്മെൻറിനെപ്പറ്റി പറയാമെന്നല്ലാതെ പേഷ്കാർമാർ നടത്തുന്ന നിയമനങ്ങളെക്കുറിച്ചൊന്നും പറയാൻപാടില്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): കമ്മിഷണരുടെകീഴിലുള്ളവരുടെ കാര്യം പറഞ്ഞക്കൂട്ടത്തിൽ ഈ സംഗതിക്കു പേഷ്കാർ എന്നപദം കൂടി വന്നുപോയി എന്നല്ലാതെ ഞാൻ പേഷ്കാർമാരുടെ നിയമനങ്ങളെപ്പറ്റി പ്രത്യേകം പറയുന്നില്ല. ഇനി ഇതുപോലെ പല പേരുകളും പറയും.

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MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): കമ്മിഷണർ ശരിയായിട്ടിരുന്നാൽ ഇതൊക്കെ ശരിയായി നടക്കുമോ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): അക്കാര്യമാണ് ഞാൻ പറയുന്നത്.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): ഇവിടെ കമ്മിഷണരുടെ വീഴ്ചയെപ്പറ്റിയാണൊ പറയാൻപോകുന്നത്?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): പേഷ്കാർമാർ പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നതെല്ലാം കൺട്രോൾചെയ്യേണ്ടതു കമ്മിഷണരാണെന്നും അദ്ദേഹത്തിനു അധികാരമില്ലെന്നുപറയുന്നതു ശരിയല്ലെന്നുമാണ് ഞാൻ സ്ഥാപിക്കാൻ പോകുന്നത്.

ഓരൊ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലെയും കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നതെല്ലാം ശരിപ്പെടുത്തി ഭരിക്കേണ്ടതു അതാതു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറദ്ധ്യക്ഷന്മാരുടെ മുമതലയാണ്. അതിലേക്കുള്ള അധികാരം അവക്കില്ലെങ്കിൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറതുകൊടുക്കണം.

ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ നടക്കുന്ന വർഗ്ഗീയപക്ഷപാതം നീക്കുവാൻ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞവർഗ്ഗങ്ങളിൽപെട്ട യോഗ്യതയുള്ള അപേക്ഷകന്മാരുള്ളപ്പോൾ അവരുടെ അവകാശത്തെ മുൻനിത്തി നിയമനം നടത്തേണ്ടതാണെന്നു വിവരിച്ചു ഞാൻതന്നെ ഈ കൌൺസിലിൽ ഒരു പ്രമേയം ഫൻറ ഉ-ൽ കൊണ്ടുവന്നു വാദിച്ചപ്പോൾ ഗവണ്മെൻറു ഭാഗത്തുനിന്നു ചീഫ് സെക്രട്ടറി മിസ്റ്റർ കൃഷ്ണപിള്ള ഉദ്യോഗനിയമന വിഷയത്തിൽ പ്രതിനിധ്യം തീരെയില്ലാത്തവരും പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞവരുമായ വർഗ്ഗങ്ങളിൽപെട്ട യോഗ്യതയുള്ള അപേക്ഷകർക്കു നിയമന വിഷയത്തിൽ പ്രഥമസ്ഥാനം കൊടുക്കാമെന്നും പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ട്. അതിനു വിപരീതമായി ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നുണ്ടൊ എന്നറിവാൻ രണ്ടുമാസംകൂടുമ്പോൾ ഓരൊ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥനും ഗവണ്മെൻറിലേക്കു നിയമന ലിസ്റ്റയക്കണമെന്നു വ്യവസ്ഥചെയ്തു. ആ വ്യവസ്ഥയെ ലംഘിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിച്ചവരായ പല വല്യഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരോടു സമാധാനം തരണമെന്നു കാണിച്ചു ഗവണ്മെൻറു ഒരു ജി. ഒ. പുറപ്പെടുവിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. അതിനുമുമ്പൊ പിമ്പൊ ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനത്തിൽ അസമത്വസമുദായങ്ങളെ അവഗണിക്കുന്നതിനെപ്പറ്റി ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരെ ശാസിക്കുന്നതായ യാതൊരു ഗവണ്മെൻറാർഡറും ഉണ്ടായിട്ടില്ല. സമാധാനം ലഭിക്കുന്നതിനു മുമ്പുതന്നെ മി. രാഘവയ്യാപോയി. ഇപ്പോൾ പഴയപോലെതന്നെ എന്നല്ല കൂടുതൽ അനീതിയും നടക്കുന്നു. റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിലാണ് ഭയങ്കര

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മായ പക്ഷപാതം നടക്കുന്നതു. റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിൽ പല അഴിമതികളും നടക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ നിയമനം സംബന്ധിച്ച അഴിമതി നിറുത്തിയാൽ മറ്റുള്ളവ നിറുത്തുവാൻ കൂടുതൽ സൌകര്യമുണ്ടു്. ജാതിഞ്ഞണലിലാണു് അഴിമതി വളരുന്നതു് എന്നുള്ളതിനു ഈ വകുപ്പു നല്ല തെളിവാണു്.

ഫൻറ ൪-ലെ കൌൺസിലിൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറു സമ്മതിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതും ജി. ഒ. പുറപ്പെടുവിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതുമായ തത്വം അനുസരിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിക്കാത്ത ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരെ നിയമനപട്ടികവരുത്തി പരിശോധിച്ചു കണ്ടുപിടിച്ചു ശിക്ഷിച്ചു നീതിനടത്തണമെന്നു ധരിപ്പിക്കുവാനാണു ഞാൻ ഉപക്ഷേപംമൂലം ഗവണ്മെൻറിനോടാവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നതു്. റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിൽ ഭൂരിപക്ഷം ജനങ്ങളും അടങ്ങുന്ന അഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും അവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും തീരെ സ്ഥാനം നല്കീട്ടില്ല. ഇവിടെ മുമ്പു ചിലർ പറഞ്ഞപോലെ ഏയുടെയൊ അല്ലെങ്കിൽ ബീയുടെയൊ അവകാശത്തെപ്പറ്റിമാത്രമല്ല ഞാൻ പറയുന്നതു്. നേരെമറിച്ചു വമ്പിച്ച ജനവിഭാഗത്തിൻെറ സങ്കടങ്ങളെപ്പറ്റിയാണു് പറയുന്നതു്.

പൊതുപണമാണു് ഇവിടത്തെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ ശമ്പളമായി വാങ്ങിക്കുന്നതെന്നും അതിനാൽ വിവിധവർഗ്ഗക്കാരെ ഒരുപോലെ ഗണിക്കേണ്ടതാണെന്നും ഉള്ള തത്വം മറന്നു ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ അവരുടെ ചാർച്ചക്കാരെതന്നെ നിയമിക്കയും കുറെ മറ്റുള്ളവരെയും നിയമിക്കണമല്ലൊ എന്നു വിചാരിച്ചു മറെറാരുവർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപെട്ട ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥൻെറ ശുപാർശപ്രകാരം അയാളുടെ ആളെ ഒന്നൊ രണ്ടൊ നിയമിക്കയും പകരം തൻെറ ആളെ ആ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥനെക്കൊണ്ടു നിയമിപ്പിക്കയും ചെയ്യുന്ന ഒരു കൈമാറൽസമ്പ്രദായവും നടപ്പുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ ഈ വകുപ്പിൽ അങ്ങനെയും അഹിന്ദുക്കളെയും അവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കളെയും കയറ്റുന്നതല്ലെന്നു നിശ്ചയം ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളപോലെ തോന്നുന്നു. ഒരു പൌരൻെറ കാലയാപനത്തിനു എന്തെല്ലാം തൊഴിലുകളുണ്ടൊ അവയെല്ലാം എന്നുവേണ്ട ആരാധനസ്ഥലങ്ങളും ഉണ്ടാക്കികൊടുക്കുന്ന സംഗതികളും പോലും റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിനോടു ഏറ്റവും സംബന്ധപ്പെട്ടു കിടക്കുന്നു. ശവസംസ്കാരത്തിനു വേണ്ട സ്ഥലമുണ്ടാക്കണമെങ്കിൽകൂടി റവന്യൂവകുപ്പുകാരുടെ ആനുകൂല്യംവേണം. എന്തൊരധികാരം, അതു എത്ര സങ്കടകരമായവിധത്തിൽ ദുരുപയോഗിക്കുന്നു. എന്തുചെയ്യാം. ഈ വകുപ്പിൽ ഇങ്ങനെയുള്ള സവർണ്ണരെഴിച്ചു് ആരെയും പ്രവേശിപ്പിക്കയുമില്ല. ഇതിനെക്കാളും ഭയങ്കരമായ ഒരു സ്ഥിതി ഈ രാജ്യത്തു വരാനുണ്ടൊ? സകല ജനവിഭാഗങ്ങളും നികുതികൊടുത്തും രാജഭക്തിയോടും നിവസിക്കെ

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സമാധാനത്തോടും സൌഹാർദ്ദതയോടുംകൂടി കഴിയുന്നതിനു തടസ്സമായ സ്ഥിതിയെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ തുടരുന്നതു് നിറുത്തുവാൻ എല്ലാ ദേശാഭിമാനികളും ജനപ്രതിനിധികളും യോജിച്ചു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനോടു ആവശ്യപ്പെടേണ്ടതാണു്. ഇതു ചില വർഗ്ഗങ്ങളുടെ കാര്യമായി ഗണിക്കരുതു്. രാജ്യനന്മക്കായുള്ള ഒരു പൊതുകാര്യമാണു്. ചില വർഗ്ഗക്കാർമാത്രം അധികാരം വഹിക്കയും മറു വർഗ്ഗക്കാരെല്ലാം കഷ്ടപ്പെട്ടു് അവർക്കു അധീനരായി കഴിഞ്ഞുകൂടുകയും ചെയ്യണമെന്നുള്ളതു ഈ പരിഷ്കൃതകാലത്തിനു എത്രയൊ അപമാനകരമാണു്. സമുദായങ്ങൾ തമ്മിലുള്ള യോജിപ്പു് രാജ്യൈശ്വർയ്യത്തിനു എത്രയൊ ആവശ്യമാണു്. പൊരസമത്വം പരിഷ്കൃതരാജ്യങ്ങൾ സ്വീകരിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ഇക്കാലത്തു ഒരു ഭൂരിപക്ഷം ന്യൂനപക്ഷക്കാരുടെ അധീനതയിൽ കഴിഞ്ഞുകൂടണമെന്നുവരുത്തുന്നതു കഷ്ടാൽ കഷ്ടതരമാണു്. റവന്യൂ അദ്ധ്യക്ഷൻതന്നെ ഇതിലെ നിയമനങ്ങളെല്ലാം നടത്തണമെന്നു വ്യവസ്ഥചെയ്താൽ ശരിയാകുമൊ എന്നു് നോക്കേണ്ടതാണു്.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): കമ്മിഷണർ നേരിട്ടു സൂപാർശചെയ്തു നടത്തുന്ന നിയമനങ്ങളൊക്കെ ശരിയാണൊ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ അതും ശരിയായിട്ടല്ലാ കാണുന്നതു്. എങ്കിലും ശരിയായി നടത്തണമെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറു് ആജ്ഞയോടെ അദ്ദേഹത്തെ അധികാരപ്പെടുത്തി നോക്കിയാൽ അറിയാമെന്നെ ഞാൻ പറയുന്നുള്ളു. അങ്ങനെയായാൽ ഒരാളെ കുറപ്പെടുത്തിയാൽ മതിയല്ലൊ. ഏതായാലും നിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ സകല വർഗ്ഗക്കാരോടും നീതിയായി പെരുമാറണമെന്നെ ഞാൻ പറയുന്നുള്ളു.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): കമ്മിഷണർ നിയമിച്ചാൽ പരാതി ഉണ്ടാവുകയില്ലെ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ന്യായമായി നിയമിച്ചാൽ പരാതി ഉണ്ടാവുകയില്ല. ന്യായമായ നിയമനത്തിന്മേൽഉണ്ടാകുന്ന പരാതിയെ ഗണിച്ചിട്ടും കാര്യമില്ല. സത്യവുംനീതിയും മുൻനിത്തി പ്രവർത്തിക്കുമ്പോൾ അധിക ആക്ഷേപങ്ങൾ ഉണ്ടാകയില്ല. ആക്ഷേപംവന്നാൽ അതൊക്കെ സഹിച്ചു നീതിനടത്തണം. ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ രാജ്യനന്മക്കായി എല്ലാവരും അനുകൂലിക്കണമെന്നു അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു.

PRESIDENT: Your time is up.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Chaganachery* cum *Peermade*): സർ, എൻറെ സ്നേഹിതൻ മി: കുഞ്ഞിത്തൊമ്മൻ ഇവിടെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ച ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ ഞാൻ വ്യക്തമായും അനുകൂലിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു. റവന്യുദേവസ്വം

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വിഭജനം കഴിഞ്ഞിട്ട് അനേകം സംവത്സരങ്ങളായിട്ടുണ്ടെങ്കിലും ഇതെ വരെയും അസമത്വസമുദായങ്ങളുടെ അസമത പബ്ലിക് സ്വീസിലുള്ള ഒരു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലും പരിഹരിക്കാൻ സാധിച്ചിട്ടില്ലെന്നുള്ളതു പരമാത്ഥത്തിൽ പരിതാപകരംതന്നെയാണ്. ഈ രാജ്യത്തുള്ള മറ്റു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുകളെ അപേക്ഷിച്ചു റവന്യുഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലാണ് ഈ അസമത ഏറ്റവും ഭയങ്കരമായ നിലയിൽ കാണപ്പെടുന്നതു്. ഇങ്ങനെ അതിഭയങ്കരമായവിധത്തിലുള്ള ഒരു അസമതയുണ്ടു്. അതു പരിഹരിച്ചുകിട്ടണമെന്നു സാധാരണ പറയുന്നതല്ലാതെ അതിനുള്ള പരിഹാരമാർഗ്ഗം എന്താണ്, എന്തുകൊണ്ടാണ് ഇങ്ങനെയുള്ള ഒരു അസമത നിലനിൽക്കുന്നതു്, എന്നൊന്നും സാധാരണ ആരും പറഞ്ഞുകേൾക്കുന്നില്ല. എത്ര പബ്ലിക്ക സവീസുകമ്മറിയെ നിയമിച്ചാലും, ഇതിനു ഒരുപരിഹാരം ഉണ്ടാകുമെന്നു് എനിക്കഭിപ്രായമില്ല. ഈ രാജ്യത്തോടു സ്ഥായിയായ ബന്ധമുള്ളവരും, ഈ രാജ്യത്തിൻെറ അഭിവൃദ്ധിയെയും നിലനില്പിനെയും ലാക്കാക്കി പ്രവത്തിച്ചിട്ടു് ആവശ്യമുള്ളവരുമായ ആളുകളെ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികളായി നിയമിക്കുന്നകാലംവരെ ഈ അസമത നിലനിൽക്കുമെന്നതന്നെയാണു എൻെറ പ്രബലമായ അഭിപ്രായം.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഈ രാജ്യത്തെസ്ഥിതിഗതികളും അറിയാവുന്ന പേഷ്കാർമാർ നടത്തുന്ന നിയമനങ്ങളും ന്യായമായിട്ടാണൊ?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): അതിനേപ്പറ്റി ഞാൻ പറഞ്ഞുവരുന്നതെയുള്ളൂ. ഇവിടെ എന്തെങ്കിലും അസമതയുണ്ടെങ്കിൽഎന്തെല്ലാം എതിർശക്തികളും ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നാലും അതിനോടെല്ലാം എതിരിട്ടു ജയിച്ചു് അതിനെ പരിഹരിച്ചു ഈ രാജ്യത്തെ അഭിവൃദ്ധിപ്പെടുത്തി ഒരു പുണ്യം നേടണമെന്നുള്ള ഉദ്ദേശത്തോടുകൂടിയല്ല, വിദേശിയർ ഇവിടെ ഭരണത്തിനുവരുന്നതെന്നു നിശ്ചയമാണ്.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): ഇവിടത്തെ ആളുകളും ശരിയായി ഭരണം നടത്തുന്നുണ്ടോ?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): അതു് ഒരഭിപ്രായവ്യത്യാസമുള്ള സംഗതിയാണ്.

MR. M. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): ഇതു റവന്യു ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ മാത്രമെയുള്ളോ?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): അല്ല എല്ലാ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലുമുണ്ടു്. ഇതു കണക്കുകളും മുഖാന്തിരം ആരെയും ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെടുത്തികൊടുക്കാൻ ഞാൻ തയ്യാറാണു്;

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MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) :അസമതചങ്ങൾം നാംക്കുനാം കുറഞ്ഞുവരികയല്ലെ ചെയ്യുന്നത്?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): അശേഷം കുറഞ്ഞുവരുന്നില്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : അസമതചങ്ങൾം നാംക്കുനാം ക്രൂടിയല്ലെ വരുന്നത്?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): അതെ അസമതചങ്ങൾം വർദ്ധിച്ചതന്നെയാണു വരുന്നത്.

ഇവിടെയുള്ള ജനങ്ങളുടെ എല്ലാം അസമത പരിഹരിച്ച് ഈ രാജ്യത്തെ അഭിവൃദ്ധിപ്പെടുത്തണമെന്നുള്ള ഉദ്ദേശത്തോടുക്രൂടിയല്ല വിദേശികൾം ഇവിടെ വരുന്നത്. അങ്ങനെയുള്ള ഒരു മിഷണറി വേലക്കായിട്ടാണു അവർ വരുന്നതെന്നു അവരുതന്നെ അഭിമാനിക്കുമെന്നും എനിക്കഭിപ്രായമില്ല. ഇവിടെയുള്ള പ്രബലസമുദായങ്ങളുമായി മൈത്രിയിൽ വത്തിച്ചെങ്കിൽമാത്രമെ ഇവിടെ സൈ്വരമായി കഴിച്ചുക്രൂട്ടുന്നതിനു സാധിക്കയുള്ളു എന്നു അവക്കറിയാം. അതിനുവേണ്ടിയുള്ള പരിശ്രമത്തിൽ അവർ എപ്പോഴും കഴിച്ചുക്രൂട്ടിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നതിനാൽ അസമതചസമുദായങ്ങളുടെ കാര്യം, അവരുടെ ന്യായമായ അവകാശങ്ങൾം, അവരുടെ സ്മൃതിപഥത്തിൽപെടുന്നതെയില്ല. കേവലം വർഗ്ഗീയപക്ഷപാതികളായ പ്രബലസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളെ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികളായി നിയമിച്ചാൽപോലും, മറുള്ള വർഗ്ഗക്കാർ ആക്ഷേപം പറയുമെന്നു വിചാരിച്ചൊ, ബഹളം ക്രൂട്ടുമെന്നു ഭയന്നൊ, കൊട്ടാരത്തിലും മറുംചെന്നു അസമതചസമുദായാംഗങ്ങൾം സങ്കടം ബോധിപ്പിക്കുമെന്നു വിചാരിച്ചൊ, വല്ലപ്പോഴുമെല്ലാം അസമതചസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളുടെ കാര്യംക്രൂടി പരിഗണിച്ചു പ്രവത്തിക്കുന്നതാണു്. എന്നാൽ തങ്ങളുടെ അപേക്ഷ അനുസരിച്ചുക്രൂടി നിയമിതരായിട്ടുള്ള "തവളകൾംക്കു ലഭിച്ച കൊക്കുരാജാവിനെപ്പോലെയുള്ള" ഈ വിദേശീയ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാക്ക് അങ്ങനെ ഒന്നും വിചാരിച്ചിട്ടു കാര്യമില്ല. വിദേശീയരായഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുമേധാവികളിൽനിന്നും ലഭിക്കുന്നതിനെക്കാൾം ക്രൂടുതൽ രക്ഷ പ്രബലസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളായ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികളിൽനിന്നാണു് അസമതചസമുദായങ്ങൾംക്കു ലഭിക്കുന്നതെന്നു ഞാൻ കണക്കുകൾകൊണ്ടു ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെടുത്താം. വിദേശീയർ ഭരിക്കുന്ന ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുകളിൽ അസമതചസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളുടെ അസമത വർദ്ധിച്ചുകൊണ്ടാണു് വരുന്നത്. അതുകൊണ്ടു വിദേശികളെ ഇവിടെ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറുമേധാവികളായി നിയമിക്കുന്നതിനെപ്പററി പ്രബലമായ പ്രതി

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ഷേധം പ്രകടിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതു് പ്രബലസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളല്ല പ്രത്യുത അസമതപസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളാണെന്നതത്രെ എന്റെ അഭിപ്രായം. ഇക്കാര്യത്തിൽ ഗവണ്മെൻറു പ്രത്യേകം ശ്രദ്ധിക്കണമെന്നുള്ള അഭിപ്രായത്തോടുകൂടി എന്റെ സ്നേഹിതൻ മി: കുഞ്ഞിതൊമ്മന്റെ അഭിപ്രായത്തെ ഞാൻ ഒരിക്കൽകൂടി അനുകൂലിക്കുകയും, അസമതപസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളുടെ അവശത കഴിയുന്നതും വേഗം പരിഹരിക്കണമെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനോടു അപേക്ഷിക്കുകയും ചെയ്തുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

MR. M. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): ഈ സമതപസമുദായങ്ങളുടെ പേരു പറയാമൊ? ഏതെല്ലാമാണു്?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): പബ്ലിക്കുസർവ്വീസിൽ ശരിയായ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം ലഭിച്ചിട്ടില്ലാത്ത സമുദായങ്ങൾ ഏതെല്ലാമാണൊ അവയൊക്കെതന്നെ.

MR. TARIATU KUJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ജനസംഖ്യ അനുസരിച്ചു പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കിട്ടാത്ത സമുദായങ്ങളാണെന്നല്ലെ മെമ്പർ അർത്ഥമാക്കുന്നതു്?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): ജനസംഖ്യ അനുസരിച്ചു വേണ്ടവിധത്തിൽ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കിട്ടാത്ത സമുദായങ്ങൾ എന്നതന്നെയാണു ഞാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നതു്.

MR. M. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): ആ സമുദായങ്ങളുടെ പേരു പറയാമൊ?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): കത്തോലിക്കർ, ഈഴവർ, മഹമ്മദീയർ മുതലായ പല സമുദായക്കാരും അതിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടും. സവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കളിൽതന്നെ നമ്പൂതിരിമാർ മുതലായവർ ഇതിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുന്നതാണു്.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR (*Pattanamtitta*): സ്വദേശികരം വന്നാൽ ഇതിനു പരിഹാരമുണ്ടാകുമൊ?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): വർഗ്ഗീയപക്ഷപാതരഹിതരായ സ്വദേശികരം ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികളായി വന്നാൽ സാധിക്കുന്നതാണു്.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): സ്വദേശികളായ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരിൽ വർഗ്ഗീയപക്ഷപാതരഹിതരായിരുന്ന ഒന്നുരണ്ടുപേരുടെ പേരുപറയാമൊ?

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MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): എനിക്ക് അങ്ങനെയുള്ള ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരിൽ പലരെയും അറിയാം. എന്നാൽ അവരുടെമാത്രം പേരുകൾ പറഞ്ഞു മറ്റുള്ളവരെ വേർതിരിക്കണമെന്ന് ഞാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നില്ല.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Sir, the cut is under establishment. The discussion so far heard has not furnished us with facts and figures showing the number of appointments made from among the unrepresented communities and the number of appointments made from the communities already represented. Without knowing those facts in reference to this particular item of establishment, I do not find my way to give my support to the idea contained in this motion. It must be proved that so many vacancies arose under establishment out of which so many vacancies have been filled up, so many were given to the unrepresented communities, so many were given to the communities already over—represented. Unless such facts are furnished and the argument is strengthened by such figures, I cannot find my way to support the motion of Mr. Kunjitomman.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): അസമത്വ സമുദായങ്ങളുടെ അസമത പരിഹരിക്കണമെന്നുള്ള ഏക ഉദ്ദേശമാണ് ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം കൊണ്ടുവരുന്നതിനു മി: കുഞ്ഞിത്തൊമ്മനെ പ്രേരിപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതെന്നു മെംബർക്കറിയാമൊ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): So, far as this particular item of cut is concerned I am not convinced by the arguments advanced. With regard to the general question, it is agreed on all hands that there must be some method of recruitment by which the complaints raised by the various communities could be remedied. A committee has been appointed and we have to await the decision of that committee. Before that, there is absolutely no purpose in reiterating this point at every item under every Demand. If this point is proved with facts and figures I am prepared to vote with my friend.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ റിപ്പോർട്ട കിട്ടുന്നതുവരെ ശരിയായി നിയമനം നടത്തണമെന്നു ലാൻറു. റവന്യുകമ്മിഷണരുടെ ശ്രദ്ധയിൽ വിഷയീഭവിപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടൊ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): കമ്മിഷണരുടെ കീഴിൽ നിയമനാധികാരമുള്ള ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു് ഇത്രപേരെയാണു; അവർ ഇന്നയിന്ന സമുദായങ്ങളിൽപെട്ടവരാണ് എന്നുള്ള ഒരു കണക്കു തന്നിരുന്നാൽ ആ കണക്കു ഈ വാദത്തെ സഹായിക്കുന്നതാണൊ എന്നു നോക്കി ഞങ്ങൾക്കു വോട്ടുചെയ്യുവാൻ സാധിക്കും.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) ആ കണക്കു ഗവണ്മെൻറുഭാഗത്തുനിന്നുമല്ലെ തരേണ്ടതു്?

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MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): ഗവണ്മെൻറു തെറ്റു ചെയ്തു എന്നു പറയുന്ന വാദക്കാർതന്നെ അതു തെളിയിക്കേണ്ടതാണു്.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): പേഷ്കാർമാരൊ ഡിവിഷനസിസ്റ്റൻറന്മാരൊ തഹശീൽദാർമാരൊ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ പട്ടിക ചോദിച്ചിട്ടു കിട്ടിയിട്ടില്ലെന്നു മെമ്പർക്കറിയാമൊ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : അതിവിടെ പറയുവാൻ പാടില്ല.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*) : May I know from the member whether he accepts the principle underlying Mr. Kunjitomman's motion ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) I said that the geneal principle is accepted. We have all accepted that principle ; and Government too have accepted it. That is why a committee has been appointed. The whole question is pending before that committee.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ തീരുമാനം വരുന്നതുവരെ ഇപ്പോഴുള്ള ആർഡർ അനുസരിച്ചു നടക്കുന്നതിൽ വിരോധമുണ്ടൊ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): ഗവണ്മെൻറു അനീതിയായി ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നാണ് മെമ്പർ പറഞ്ഞതു്. അങ്ങനെയാണെങ്കിൽ മെമ്പർ തന്നെ അതു തെളിയിക്കണം.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : മെമ്പർ ഇതിനെ എതിർക്കുകയാണൊ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : കമ്മിഷണറുടെ ആഫീസിൽ അക്രമം നടത്തുന്നുണ്ടെന്നു കാണിച്ചിട്ടില്ല. അതു തെളിയിച്ചു ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെടുത്തിയാൽ മാത്രമെ എനിക്കു ഇതിനനുകൂലമായി വോട്ടുചെയ്യുവാൻ സാധിക്കുകയുള്ളൂ.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : അതു മെമ്പറുടെയിഷ്ടംപോലെ ചെയ്യാം. എന്നാൽ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപം ഇവിടെ അവതരിപ്പിക്കാൻ പാടില്ലെന്നു വാദിക്കാതിരുന്നാൽ കൊള്ളാം. (ചിരി)

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : എനിക്കു വാദിക്കേണ്ട ആവശ്യമില്ല. ഇതവതരിപ്പിക്കാൻ പാടില്ലാത്തതാണെങ്കിൽ പ്രസിഡൻറു തന്നെ അതു തടഞ്ഞുകൊള്ളും.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ റിപ്പോർട്ടു വരുന്നതുവരെ അസമത്വസമുദായക്കാർക്കു

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വേണ്ട പ്രാതിനിധ്യം പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവ്വീസിൽ കൊടുക്കണമെന്ന മെമ്പർക്ക് വിചാരമുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : ഉണ്ട്. എന്നാൽ ഇതുവരെ അങ്ങനെ ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ലെന്ന മെമ്പർ ഈ കൌൺസിലിനെ ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെടുത്തണ്ടേ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : ലാൻറ് റവന്യൂ കമ്മിഷണർ നിയമനംസംബന്ധിച്ച അദ്ദേഹത്തിൻറെ കൃത്യങ്ങളെല്ലാം ശരിയായിട്ടാണോ നടത്തി വരുന്നത്?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : എനിക്കതിനെപ്പറ്റി രണ്ടഭിപ്രായമെയില്ല. എന്നാൽ മിസ്റ്റർ കുഞ്ഞിത്തൊമ്മൻറെ അഭിപ്രായത്തിൽ ഇവിടെ എന്തൊക്കെയൊ തകരാറുണ്ടെന്ന കാണുന്നു. അതു യഥാർത്ഥമാണെന്നു തെളിയിക്കേണ്ടതെയൊ? കമ്മിഷണർ കണക്കു കൊണ്ടു ന്യായമായി നടക്കുകയാണു ചെയ്യുന്നത് എന്നു ബോദ്ധ്യപ്പെടുത്തിക്കഴിഞ്ഞു; അല്ലാതെ നിലവിളിച്ചാൽ പോരാ.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : ഞാൻ എൻറെ അഭിപ്രായം പറഞ്ഞതു നിലവിളിയാണൊ? മെമ്പർ നിലവിളിച്ചില്ലെ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : ഇല്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : സർ, ഇങ്ങനെ അസഭ്യമായ രീതിയിൽ ഒരു മെമ്പർ മറെറാരു മെമ്പറെപ്പറ്റി പറയുന്നതിനെ പ്രസിഡൻറു തടഞ്ഞു ഒരു റൂളിങ്ങ് ഉണ്ടാകണമെന്ന ഞാൻ അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery cum Peermade*) : മി: കുഞ്ഞുത്തൊമ്മൻ പറയുന്നത് ഉദ്യോഗ നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ പട്ടിക വച്ചുകൊണ്ടാണെന്ന മെമ്പർക്കറിയാമൊ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): മി: കുഞ്ഞുത്തൊമ്മൻറെ ഉപക്ഷേപം കമ്മിഷണരുടെ എസ്റ്റാബ്ളിഷ്മെൻറിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചാണ്. എന്നാൽ മി: കുഞ്ഞിത്തൊമ്മൻ വച്ചിട്ടുള്ള കണക്കു അതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതല്ല. അവിടെ ഉദ്യോഗനിയമത്തിൽ ഇതുമാതിരിയുള്ള അസമതാബോധം ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു കാണിച്ചാൽ എനിക്കനുകൂലിക്കാമായിരുന്നു.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : ആഫീസ് എസ്റ്റാബ്ളിഷ്മെൻറു കുറയ്ക്കണമെന്നുള്ള ഉപക്ഷേപത്തിൽ കൃഷി ലോണെപ്പറ്റി പറയുന്നതിനു തടസ്സമുണ്ടോ? അങ്ങനെ ചിലർ പറഞ്ഞുല്ലൊ?

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MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): തടസ്സപ്പെടുത്തിയതല്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): നിയമനക്കായ്ങ്ങൾ പറയുമ്പോൾ മാത്രമെ വാദതടസ്ഥമുള്ളോ?

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): ഒരു വിദേശിയായ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥനു പ്രബലസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളുമായി യോജിച്ചു കൊണ്ടിരുന്നാൽ മാത്രമെ ഇവിടെ ഇരിക്കാൻ സാധിക്കയുള്ളു എന്നുള്ള ഉദ്ദേശത്തിന്മേൽ അതിനനുസരണമായി പ്രവർത്തിക്കാറില്ലെ?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): അതു വിദേശിയായിരുന്നാലും സ്വദേശിയായിരുന്നാലും അങ്ങനെവരും. അതു കൊണ്ടു ഇന്നു വിദേശികളായിരിക്കുന്നവരെയെല്ലാം മാറ്റി സ്വദേശികളെ നിയമിക്കുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു ഇതിനു പരിഹാരമുണ്ടാവുകയില്ല.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): അപ്പോൾ മെമ്പറുടെ അഭിപ്രായം, സ്വദേശിയായാലും ശരി വിദേശിയായാലും ശരി ആരെങ്കിലും ഭരണം നടത്തിയാൽ മതി എന്നാണൊ ഞാൻ മനസ്സിലാക്കേണ്ടതു?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): ഞാൻ പറയാത്ത കാര്യങ്ങളൊന്നും അങ്ങിനെ മനസ്സിലാക്കേണ്ട ആവശ്യമില്ല.

MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH (*Nominated*): മി: കഞ്ഞിത്തൊമ്മന്റെ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ ഞാൻ അനുകൂലിക്കുന്നു. അസമതപസമുദായത്തിൽപെട്ട അധഃകൃതക്കു ഇന്നു റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ പ്രാതിനിധ്യമില്ലെന്നു ഞാൻ ഉറപ്പു പറഞ്ഞു കൊള്ളുന്നു. അതിലേക്കുള്ള കണക്കെന്താണ്. അല്ലെങ്കിൽ എത്ര ശതമാനം നിയമനങ്ങൾ നടന്നിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു എന്നോടു ചോദിച്ചാൽ ഒന്നും തന്നെയില്ലെന്നെ എനിക്കു സമാധാനം പറയുവാനുള്ളൂ. റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലുള്ള താണതരം ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങൾ വഹിക്കത്തക്ക പരിക്ഷാധാരാഗ്യതയുള്ള ചേരമർ, സാമ്പവർ, പുലയർ, ഐനവർ, പറയർ ഈ വർഗ്ഗങ്ങളിൽ ധാരാളം ആളുകളുണ്ടു. ഇവർ റവന്യൂ കമ്മിഷണരുടെ അടുക്കൽ ഉദ്യോഗാർത്ഥം അപേക്ഷകൾ കൊടുത്താൽ അതു കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാക്കയച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു എന്നു മറുപടി പറയുകയല്ലാതെ ഇവക്കു ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങൾ നൽകണമെന്നു കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാക്കു ഉത്തരവയക്കാറില്ല. എന്നാൽ കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരുടെയിടയിൽ നടക്കുന്ന അഴിമതി ഒട്ടും തന്നെ ചില്ലറയല്ല എന്നു പറയാതിരിക്കാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല. കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ അവരുടെ സ്വന്തയാളുകളെയും

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സ്വന്തസമുദായക്കാരേയും ഉദ്യോഗത്തിൽ ധാരാളം നിയമിക്കയല്ലാതെ അധഃകൃതരിൽപെട്ട ആരെയും തന്നെ അവിടെ പ്രവേശിപ്പിക്കുന്നില്ല.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): കീഴ്സിൽബന്ധികളുടെ ശമ്പളത്തിൽ ഒരു കുപാ കുറയ്ക്കുകയാണു ചെയ്യുന്നതെന്നു മെമ്പർക്കറിയാമോ?

MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH (*Nominated*) : റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ പ്രാതിനിധ്യമില്ലാത്ത അധഃകൃതർക്കു ശരിയായ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കിട്ടണമെന്നുള്ള സംഗതി ഗവണ്മെൻറിനെ ധരിപ്പിക്കാൻ മാത്രമേ ഞാനിവിടെ ഉദ്ദ്യമിക്കുന്നുള്ളൂ.

അതിനാൽ പത്തുവക്ഷത്തിലധികം ജനസംഖ്യയുള്ള മേൽപറഞ്ഞ അധഃകൃതസമുദായത്തിൽ പെട്ട പരീക്ഷയോഗ്യതയുള്ള ആളുകൾക്കു ശരിയായ വിധത്തിൽ ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങൾ നൽകണമെന്നു ഞാൻ ഗവൺമെൻറിനെ ഉൽബോധിപ്പിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു. ഗവൺമെൻറു സൌജന്യമായി ഞങ്ങൾക്കു വിദ്യാഭ്യാസംനൽകി മുന്നോട്ടുകൊണ്ടുവരുമ്പോൾ, ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനത്തിൽ ഞങ്ങളെ പിന്നോക്കം നിറുത്തിയിരിക്കുന്നതു ഞങ്ങൾക്കുംകൂടി അപമാനകരമാണ്. അതിനാൽ ഗവൺമെൻറും ഇതരസമുദായാംഗങ്ങളും ഞങ്ങളെ ഈ വിഷയത്തിൽ കൂടുതൽ പ്രോത്സാഹിപ്പിക്കണമെന്നുള്ള അപേക്ഷയോടുകൂടി ഞാൻ ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ അനുകൂലിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): I support the motion of Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman. It was suggested by certain members that there was some technical objection since the discussion relates to a matter which is not covered by the motion. I do not understand that position. Mr. Kunjitomman wanted to call the attention of the Commissioner by making a cut in his establishment. I believe that is the proper way of calling the attention of the Land Revenue Commissioner. It may be that it will not be generally appreciated that proper representation should be given to hitherto unrepresented communities particularly in the ranks of the Revenue Department; and all these technical objections are being raised more because of that than because of any real difficulty. That is my impression.

MR. A. S DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Does the member remember that a similar technical objection was raised with regard to the first motion also?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*) : I know the member that raised the objection; and I can assure him that I know that there was no such motive behind *his* mind. In this particular case.....

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MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): When a motion has been raised before the House and the President has allowed a discussion on it, is it in order for the member to reopen the question, to discuss the ruling or the point of order?

PRESIDENT: I have not noticed so far, anything objectionable in his speech.

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): Mr. Kunjitomman was saying that, since the separation of Revenue and the Devaswom Departments, the unrepresented communities have not been able to get their due share in the matter of appointments. He said that there were only 5 members of the unrepresented communities out of a large number of Provertikars recruited in the department. That is a very substantial proof of his statement. Is it possible to believe that, during the last 10 years only 5 Provertikars could be recruited from among the unrepresented communities?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I may inform the member that the Provertikars are not recruited direct but are only promoted from among the Accountants?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): When a man possesses the requisite qualification, even if he has not served as an Accountant, there cannot be any possible objection to his being recruited as Provertikar. We are directly appointing many officers to much higher posts than Provertikars. Why is it that, in the case of Provertikars alone, it should not be done?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Does the member think that if the head of some department, who has nothing to do with the Land Revenue Department, for example a High Court Judge or a District Judge, is appointed as a Provertikar, could he manage to do the work of surveying, keeping of the *nalvazhis* and all that?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): For a Provertikar's place I would insist on survey qualification.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Will not the member insist on departmental qualifications?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): Experience in a particular department is certainly valuable. But there is nothing that cannot be achieved, by special training even by an outsider.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): എക്സ് പീരിയൻസില്ലാത്ത ഗ്രാഡുവേറ്റസിനെ നേരിട്ടു പോലീസ് സബ് ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർമാരായും ഇൻസ്പെക്ടർമാരായും നിയമിച്ചു വരുന്നല്ലെ?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): ഉണ്ട്.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ പേഷ്കാരായി ഒരു ഡാക്കരെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടായിരുന്നു എന്നറിയാമൊ?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): അമാതിരിയുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങളും ശരിയാണെന്നല്ല ഞാൻ വാദിക്കുന്നതു്.

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MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): Mr. Kunjitomman's illustration is much more than what I want. A person who is duly qualified for the appointment must be able to get it evenwithout undergoing 5 or 8 years' experience as an Accountant. If that rule is applied, it will be impossible within any reasonable period for the members of the unrepresented communities to get adequate representation among the Provertikars.

My point is that a person who is duly qualified for the appointment must get it without being forced to serve in the lower rank for the sake of experience.

MR. K. C. CHANDI (*Meenachil* cum *Devicolam*): May I know to which community the majority of these people belong?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): They are caste Hindus. Under the old arrangement, it is only caste Hindus that could be appointed and there is a long list of caste Hindus with acting claims. So long as that rule is in force it is not possible for members of unrepresented communities to get appointed.

K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): റവന്യൂ-ദേവസ്വം വിഭാഗത്തിനുമുമ്പുള്ള ലിസ്റ്റിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ളതാണ് ഈ ആക്ടിംഗ് ക്ലെയിം എന്നു തോന്നുന്നുണ്ടോ?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): അതെ.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatunad*): അപ്പോൾ ഫാമിലി കൊല്ലത്തിനുമുമ്പുള്ള ആക്ടിംഗ് ലിസ്റ്റാണൊ ഇതു്?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): അതെ. അന്നു് ആക്ടിംഗ്നോക്കിക്കൊണ്ടിരുന്നവർക്കു മുറയ്ക്കുകൊടുക്കയാണു്.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): പത്തുകൊല്ലത്തിനിപ്പുറം പ്രവൃത്തികാരന്മാരിൽ പലരും ഉയന്സ്തോഷിയിൽ ഇരിക്കുന്നുണ്ടെന്നറിയാമൊ?

MR. M. GOVINDAN (*Nominated*): ധാരാളം ഉണ്ടു്.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*) Sir, I rise to support the principle advocated by my friend, Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman. Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman's complaint is that in this department, all the communities in the State are not adequately represented. My friend Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai denied that statement and asked for figures. In my view, Mr. Kunjitomman could not do better than merely say that several communities in the State are not adequately represented. By asking Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman to prove by actual figures the statement made by him it will be asking him to prove a negative which is very difficult. My point is that it is for the Land Revenue Commissioner to prove by figures that there *is* adequate representation. If he would do so, Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman will, I hope, gladly withdraw

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[Mr. K. P. Abraham.]

his motion. For my part, I am not able to say which are the communities represented in the staff of the department. I sent an interpellation asking for that information, but Government only regretted that they are not able to supply that information on the simple ground that it involved some time and labour. The Secretary, who answered the interpellation, said that that was the information furnished by the Land Revenue Commissioner. Now the Land Revenue Commissioner will realise that some difficulty has arisen which has put the members of this House in a real quandary in understanding the real state of affairs. On that ground also I support the motion. I think that, if the establishment of the Land Revenue Department had hbeen vigilant, or if they had been anxious to do a piece of a public work, they would have been careful to supply the information without grudging some time and labour in the matter. It was also raised as an objection that the Public Service Committee had been appointed to deal with the question of the recruitment to public service. It is more than six months since the committee has been appointed. It has not yet sat. Even with regard to the committee there is a complaint that it is not properly representative. Of course, that committee is constituted as representing several communities, but I may here pointedly draw the attention of the House and of the Government to the fact that the non-Roman Catholic Christians are not represented in the committee. There are very many details to be gone into in that connection.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): To which denomination does Mr. George belong?

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): He belongs to the Church of England, I understand.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Is he not a non-Catholic?

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): He is a non-Roman Catholic. I understand, he belongs to the Church of England.

The Council adjourned for lunch at 2-17 P. M. and re-assembled at 3-1 P. M.

MR. K. I. KOCHEEPPAN MAPPILLAI (*Nominated*): സർ, മി: കുഞ്ഞിത്തൊമ്മന്റെ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തോട് ഞാൻ ഹൃദയപൂർവ്വമായി യോജിക്കുന്നു. അസമത്വത്തിന്റെ ഒരു ശരിയായ പ്രദർശനശാലയാണ് ഇവിടത്തെ റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറ് എന്നുപറയുന്നതിൽ എനിക്കൊട്ടും അധൈര്യമില്ലെന്നു മാത്രമല്ല പരിപൂർണ്ണമായ സന്തോഷംകൂടിയുണ്ട്. ഈ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിന്റെ നിയമനവശങ്ങളെപ്പറ്റി എന്റെ മുൻഗാമികളായ പലരും ധാരാളം പറഞ്ഞുവച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു. അവയെ ഇവിടെ ആവർത്തനംചെയ്യണമെന്നു ഞാൻ വിചാരിക്കുന്നില്ല. എന്നാൽ ഈ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥനിയമന

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വിഷയത്തിലുള്ള അസമത്വം ഇതുവരെ പരിഹരിച്ചിട്ടില്ലെന്നുള്ളതും തീച്ചയാണ്. പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറവുള്ളവരെ സർവ്വീസിൽ പ്രവേശിപ്പിക്കുമ്പോൾ ഈ തത്വം അധികാരികൾ ഓർക്കുന്നതു ശരിയായിരിക്കും. മൈസൂർ ഗവണ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നു പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറവായിട്ടുള്ളവരെ നിയമിക്കണമെന്നും അല്ലാതെ നിയമിതരാകുന്നവരെ, അവർക്കു രണ്ടുവർഷം ആക്ടിംഗ് സർവ്വീസ് ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നാലും, പിരിച്ചുവിടേണ്ടതാണെന്നും ഒരു നിയമം പാസാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. അതെരീതിയിൽ ഇവിടെയും ഒരു പ്രമാണംവച്ച് അവരെ നിയമിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവ്വീസു കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ അഭിപ്രായം വരുന്നതിനു മുമ്പ് ഇങ്ങനെ ഒരു പ്രമാണം ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നതു ശരിയായിരിക്കുമൊ?

MR. K. I. KOCHEEPPAN MAPPILLAI (*Nominated*): ഞാൻപറഞ്ഞതു് ഒരു തല്ക്കാല പരിഹാരംമാത്രമാണ്. അതായതു്, ക്രമേക്കടായി വല്ലതും നടന്നുപോയാൽ അതു തടഞ്ഞുനിറുത്താൻവേണ്ടിയുള്ള ഒരു മാർഗ്ഗം മാത്രമാണിതു്. കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ റിപ്പോർട്ടു പെട്ടെന്നുവരികയില്ല. അതിനിടെ ആക്ടിംഗ്ലിസ്റ്റിലുള്ള സംഖ്യ ശതഗുണീഭവിച്ചേക്കുകയും ചെയ്യും. അതിലേക്ക് ഒരു രക്ഷാമാർഗ്ഗമായി ഇതു ഞാൻ പറയുകയാണ്. കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ മറവിൽ കഴിച്ചുകൂട്ടുന്ന ഒരു സമ്പ്രദായം അധികാരികൾക്കുണ്ട്. അവർ വിചാരിക്കുന്നതുപോലെ നടത്തുന്നതിനെ ഇതുപോലെ ഒരാർഡർ ഉണ്ടാക്കി തടയേണ്ടതാണ്.

വർഗ്ഗീയപ്രാതിനിധ്യത്തിനു വേണ്ടി അന്യ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെണ്ടിലിരുന്ന പലരെയും റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ വരുത്തിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. അങ്ങനെയുള്ളവർ അന്യഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലിരുന്നിരുന്നാൽ അവർക്കു കിട്ടുമായിരുന്ന ശമ്പളസ്കെയിൽ ഇപ്പോൾ കിട്ടുന്നില്ല. അതായതു് അന്യഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽനിന്നും റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലേക്കെടുത്തു പത്തുകൊല്ലമായിട്ടും അന്നു് അവർ പറഞ്ഞിക്കൊണ്ടിരുന്ന എഴുപതുരൂപാതന്നെ ഇപ്പോഴും വാങ്ങിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നു. എന്നാൽ അവർ അവിടെതന്നെയിരുന്നിരുന്നാൽ ഇപ്പോൾ ഫൈവ് രൂപാകിട്ടുമായിരുന്നു. വർഗ്ഗീയപ്രാതിനിധ്യതത്വം നിറവേറാൻ വേണ്ടി മനസ്സറിയാതെ റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ ഇവരെ വിളിച്ചുകയറ്റുകയാണു ചെയ്തതു്. അതിനാൽ ഈ സംഗതിയെങ്കിലും ഒന്നുപരിഹരിച്ചു അവരുടെ നഷ്ടത്തിനു ഗവൺമെൻറ് ഒരു സഹായം ഉണ്ടാക്കണമെന്നു ഞാൻ അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടുകൊള്ളട്ടെ.

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MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Sir, one is really very sorry that this scene is repeating this year also. I can assure the House on behalf of my friends here that there is absolutely not one single community which is anxious to appropriate to itself anything which is not its due. It is left entirely to the discretion of the Government to make adjustments in the way in which they please to satisfy the legitimate aspirations of every community. Certainly, my friend Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman and I are entirely at one when he says that due distribution has to be made by the Government. I am sorry to hear that it is causing some disturbance in the amicable relationship that subsists between one community and another. That wholesome atmosphere has not completely vanished now. But if this is perpetuated I am sure it will be a terrible menace to the well-being of the State as a whole. So, as it is, the fault lies with Government and not with us. Government have announced the fact that they have appointed the Public Services committee. I thought that, with the appointment of the committee, the whole trouble would be over and that my friend Mr. Kunjitomman would be saved the worry at least this year. But he does not seem to think so. My friend Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman and others need not at all be under the impression that there is anybody in this House who contradicts their views. Our joint request to Government is to take the earliest possible opportunity to solve the problem, due regard being paid to all considerations. This question should no longer mar the proceedings of this House. So, we jointly request the Government to see that non-officials like Mr. Kunjitomman are not put to the trouble of representing this matter over and over again.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): സർ, മി: ഇ. വി. കൃഷ്ണപിള്ള പ്രസ്താവിച്ച സംഗതികളെ ആശ്രയിച്ചുകൊണ്ട് ഞാൻ എന്തെങ്കിലും പറയുകയെന്ന വച്ചാൽ അതു ഗവണ്മെൻറിനെ കുറ്റം പറയുകയെന്നെയുള്ളൂ. അല്ലാതെ ഈ വിഷയത്തിൽ അനുദ്യോഗസ്ഥമെമ്പറന്മാരെ അതെയുംതന്നെ കുറ്റംപറയേണ്ടയാവശ്യമുള്ളതായി എനിക്കു തോന്നുന്നില്ല. അസമതാങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം പരിഹാരമുണ്ടാകാതിരിക്കുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു ദിനംപ്രതി ജനങ്ങൾ തമ്മിൽ മത്സരിച്ചു കലഹം ഉണ്ടാക്കിത്തീർക്കുന്നതായ ഈ ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനപ്രശ്നത്തിനെ ഒരു കമ്മിറ്റികൊണ്ടു വേണ്ടവിധത്തിൽ പരിഹരിക്കപ്പെടാമെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറു കയ്യേറ്റിട്ടുണ്ടെങ്കിലും ഏകദേശം ഒരു വർഷംവരെ ആയിട്ടും ആ കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ അദ്ധ്യയോഗംപോലും കൂടാൻ സാധിച്ചിട്ടില്ലെന്നുള്ള സംഗതി ഇവിടെ പറയാതെ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല. ആദ്യത്തെ പ്രസിഡൻറു മരിച്ചുപോയി, രണ്ടാമത്തെ പ്രസിഡൻറു രാജിവച്ചു. മൂന്നാമത്തെ പ്രസിഡൻറു

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രാജികൊടുക്കാൻ പോകുന്നു എന്നിങ്ങനെ ഓരൊ കാരണങ്ങളും പറഞ്ഞു എത്രനാൾ നീട്ടാനാണു പോകുന്നതെന്നു എനിക്കു മനസ്സിലാകുന്നില്ല.

അതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു ഒന്നുംതന്നെ പറയേണ്ടയാവശ്യമില്ല. ആ കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ റിപ്പോർട്ടു വരുന്നതുവരെയും ഇന്നു നടക്കുന്ന രീതിയിൽതന്നെ നടക്കണമെന്നുള്ള അഭിപ്രായം ഇവിടെ ആകും ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കയില്ലെന്നാണു് എന്റെ ബോധ്യം മി: ഈ. വി. കൃഷ്ണപിള്ളയുടെ പ്രസംഗം എന്റെ അഭിപ്രായത്തെ കുറെ ദൃഢി ശക്തിപ്പെടുത്തിയെന്നാണു് എനിക്കു തോന്നുന്നതു്. മി: കുഞ്ഞു കൃഷ്ണപിള്ള "ഫാക്ട്സും ഫിഗേഴ്സും" ഇല്ലാത്തതുകൊണ്ടു വോട്ടുചെയ്യാൻ വിഷമമാണെന്നു് അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ പ്രസംഗത്തിൽ പറയുകയുണ്ടായി.

റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലുള്ള എല്ലാ വശങ്ങളിലും നടക്കുന്ന നിയമനങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം സംസാരിക്കാൻ, പ്രസിഡൻറവർകൾ അനുവദിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നിടത്തോളം കാലം അവിടെയുള്ള അഴിമതികളെയെല്ലാം എന്റെ സ്നേഹിതനെ മനസ്സിലാക്കുന്നതിനു് എനിക്കു സാധിക്കും. അതു കോൺഗ്രസ്സുമ്പോൾ അദ്ദേഹവും എന്റെ അഭിപ്രായത്തോടനുകൂലിക്കുമെന്നാണു് എന്റെ വിശ്വാസം. എല്ലാ താലൂക്കുകളിലുമുള്ള ഫാക്ടറ്സ് കിട്ടിയിട്ടില്ലെങ്കിലും ചില താലൂക്കുകളിലുള്ളതു് എനിക്കറിയാം. ആദ്യമായി, കല്ലുളം, വിളവംകോടു ഈ താലൂക്കുകളിൽ നിന്നും എനിക്കു കിട്ടീട്ടുള്ള ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ ഞാൻ ഇവിടെ വായിക്കാം.

"Statement of total number of Provertikars in the Kalkulam and Vilavankod taluks.

PROVERTIKARS.

Brahmins	.	2	Nayars	.	23
Vellalas	.	4	Other Hindus	.	7
			Total	.	36

ACCOUNTANTS.

Brahmins	.	2	Nadars	.	3
Nayars	.	44	Vellalas	.	4
Other Hindus	.	8	Protestants	.	3
Roman Catholic	.	1			
			Total	.	65

ഇന്നത്തെ നിലയ്ക്കു് ഇതിൽ ഒരു താലൂക്കിലും ഒരുമഹമ്മദീയനൊ ഒരു റോമൻ കത്തോലിക്കു് ക്രിസ്ത്യാനിയൊ അല്ലെങ്കിൽ ഒരു ഈഴവനൊ ഇല്ല.

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Are these men appointed there by seniority or have they become Provektirars direct?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): I am coming to that. സീനിയാറിട്ടിയെ കുറിച്ചു രണ്ടാമതായി ഞാൻ പറയാം.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): ഇപ്പോഴം ജോലി ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നവരെ മാറ്റി, അസമതാസമുദായത്തിൽ പെട്ടവരെ നിയമിക്കണമെന്ന മെമ്പക്ക് അഭിപ്രായമുണ്ടോ?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): ഇല്ല. അങ്ങനെ ചെയ്യണമെന്ന ഞാൻ വിചാരിക്കുന്നമില്ല. അസമത്വസമുദായത്തിൽപെട്ട അപേക്ഷകന്മാരുണ്ടായിരുന്നിട്ടും, അവക്ക് കൊടുക്കാതെ മറ്റുള്ള സമുദായക്കാക്ക് കൊടുത്തു എന്നുള്ളതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചാണ ഞാൻ ഇവിടെ പറയുന്നത്.

MR. S. C. H ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Were there any applicants from other unrepresented communities?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): Certainly, there were.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Have they got the necessary securities?

MR. P. S MAHOMED (*Nominated*): They *have* deposited the necessary securities; but, the Land Revenue authorities are very careful to throw them out of their places. I know three Mahomedans who have been thrown out.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആരെങ്കിലും കമ്മിഷണക്ക് പരാതി കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): കമ്മിഷണക്ക് പരാതികൊടുത്തുകാണുമെന്നാണ് എനിക്കുതോന്നുന്നത്. ഏതായിരുന്നാലും ഇങ്ങനെയുള്ള സംഗതികം നടക്കുന്നുണ്ടെന്നുള്ളതു പ്രത്യക്ഷപ്പെടുത്താൻ സാധിക്കും.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Will the member please ask those three persons to put in appeals?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): ഇങ്ങനെ എല്ലാവർഷത്തിലും അപ്പീൽ കൊടുത്തു പരിഹാരം നേടത്തക്കവിധത്തിൽ സംഗതികളുണ്ടാക്കിവയ്ക്കരുതെന്നാണ് ഞാൻ പറയുന്നത്.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): മറ്റുള്ള സമുദായക്കാരെ അപ്പീൽ ക്കൂടാതെ തന്നെ നിയമിക്കയും, അസമതാസമുദായക്കാർ അപ്പീൽ കൊടുത്തു നിയമിക്കേണ്ടതായി വരുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നത് ശരിയാണൊ?

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MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : അതുശരിയല്ല. അതുകൊണ്ട് ഇനി മേലാലെങ്കിലും അങ്ങനെ നടക്കാതിരിക്കണമെന്നാണ് ഞങ്ങളുടെ അപേക്ഷ.

MR A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Was it the Peishkar or the Tahsildar who was responsible for this ?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : പേഷ്കാർമാരൊ, താഹശിൽദാർമാരൊ, കമ്മിഷണരൊ, ആരുതന്നെ നിയമനം നടത്തിയാലും, അവരുടെ എല്ലാ പേരുടെയും കുറ്റം കമ്മിഷണരിലാണ് രേഖപ്പെടുത്തേണ്ടതു്.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Have these men got the necessary qualifications including Survey Test ?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : യോഗ്യന്മാരുണ്ടു്. സർവ്വെ സ്റ്റഡി, വില്ലേജ് ടെസ്റ്റ് മുതലായ പരീക്ഷകളും പാസായി ഡിപ്ലാസിറും കെട്ടിവച്ചിട്ടു കാത്തുനില്ക്കുന്നവർക്കാണ് ഉദ്യോഗം കൊടുക്കാതെ പിരിച്ചയക്കുന്നതു്.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : എന്തുകാരണവശാലാണ് അവരെ പിരിച്ചയച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു്?

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : പിരിച്ചുവിടേണ്ടതായിവന്നു. പിരിച്ചുവിട്ടു എന്നു മാത്രമെ പറയാനുള്ളൂ.

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Shertallai*) : അങ്ങനെ പിരിച്ചുവിടാനുള്ള കാരണമെന്താണെന്നാണു ചോദിച്ചതു്.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : കാരണം പ്രത്യേകിച്ചു പറയാനൊന്നുമില്ല. അവരെക്കാൾ സീനിയറായിട്ടുള്ളവരുണ്ടെന്നുള്ള കാരണം മാത്രമെയുള്ളൂ.

സീനിയാറിറ്റിയെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു പറയുകയാണെങ്കിൽ, ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ അവരുടെ ചാവുവാഴ്ചക്കാലം മറ്റും ഉദ്യോഗം കൊടുക്കാൻ വേണ്ടി കീഴ് ജീവനക്കാരെക്കൊണ്ടു് അവധി എടുപ്പിച്ചുപോലും ഉദ്യോഗം നൽകി സീനിയാറിറ്റി വരുത്തിവയ്ക്കുന്നുണ്ടു്.

PRESIDENT: Your time is up.

MR. RAMA VARMA RAJA (*Edavagai*) : മിസ്റ്റർ തരിയത്തുകുഞ്ഞിത്തമ്മൻ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ഉപക്ഷേപത്തോടു് അനുകൂലിച്ചുകൊണ്ടു ഞാൻ രേയാജിക്കുന്നു എന്നുവരികിലും, എന്റെ സ്നേഹിതൻ മി: ഗോവിന്ദൻ

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പറഞ്ഞതുകേട്ടപ്പോൾ എനിക്കു അതിൽനിന്നു വ്യത്യാസപ്പെടാതെയിരിക്കാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല. അസമതുലസമുദായങ്ങളിൽ പെട്ടവർക്കു ഉദ്യോഗം നൽകേണ്ടതു് അത്യാവശ്യമാണു് എന്നിരുന്നാലും ഇപ്പോൾ സർവീസിലിരിക്കുന്നവരുടെ സർവീസു അവഗണിച്ചു പുതിയതായി അസമതുല സമുദായത്തിൽപ്പെട്ടവരെ നിയമിക്കണമെന്നുള്ള മി: ഗോവിന്ദന്റെ അഭിപ്രായത്തോടു എനിക്കു യോജിക്കാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല അങ്ങനെ വരുന്ന പക്ഷം പലആളുകൾക്കും മനസ്സിനു വലിയ സങ്കടമുണ്ടാകാൻ ഇടയുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ ആ തത്വത്തെ വിട്ടു അസമതുലസമുദായക്കാർക്കു കൂടി ജോലി കൊടുക്കണമെന്നുള്ള മി: കുഞ്ഞിത്തൊമ്മന്റെ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തിന്റെ തത്വത്തോടു ഞാൻ ഹാർദ്ദമായി യോജിക്കുന്നു.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Sir, I also wish to say a word on this motion. It is really unfortunate that this question has cropped up again for discussion in this House. I thought that, with the appointment of the committee to formulate proposals regarding recruitment to public service, the discussion of the question on the floor of the House would cease. But the committee, for some reason or other, has not been able to begin its labours as yet.. I must most emphatically urge upon Government the extreme necessity to see that the committee begins its work forthwith. Now, if our expectations are be fulfilled in regard to the working of this committee, that is to say, if it is possible for this committee to submit a report to Government within a reasonable period, say some months, I am not able to see any good purpose served by this discussion here. The matter has now been entrusted to a committee; the committee has to make its proposals. But since the matter has come up for discussion, I wish to point a few defects that have come to my notice in regard to this question. I can fully say that absolutely no community should be prevented from having its share in the administration of the Staet its share of appointment. That principle, I think, has long been recognised by the Government. We find that certain communities are not represented in some departments to the same extent as certain other communities. But, what is it that the Government can do in the matter? That is a question for which a simple answer is not possible. It has been suggested here that Provertikars should be recruited direct from unrepresented communities so that there may be an equal number of Provertikars from all the different communities in the State. Whenever this question was discussed here on former occasions, I have heard the Land Revenue Commissioner, putting forward the contention that it is not right to recruit Provertikars direct, as it will be an injustice to the Accountants. I think there is considerable force in that contention. Now, Sir, to me, this difficulty presents itself very clearly. Suppose two people, equally qualified apply for appointments in the Land Revenue Department, one a Brahmin and the other a Mahomedan, and both of them are equally qualified and of

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the same age. How can you suggest that the Mahomedan should be a Provertikar and the Brahmin an Accountant? Really, I cannot understand the justice of it. If Provertikars are to be recruited direct perhaps, some higher qualification may be insisted on. In the absence of some provision like that, I am at a loss to see how this can be done. What the Government are going to do is also not clear. So far as I have been able to see, Government have not been able to do anything in that direction to satisfy the demands of these communities. I think this matter can very well be left to the committee. They will surely recommend it if the situation demands that direct recruitment as Provertikars should be made. I think that instead of Government themselves now haphazardly adopting a particular rule, it would be better if the matter is left to the committee.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : ഇവരിൽ രണ്ടുപേരും അക്കൌണ്ടന്റുദ്യോഗത്തിനപേക്ഷിച്ചാലൊ?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): രണ്ടുപേരും അക്കൌണ്ടന്റുദ്യോഗത്തിനാണപേക്ഷിച്ചെങ്കിൽ മഹമ്മദീയനെ കൊടുക്കണം.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*) : അങ്ങനെചെയ്യാതിരുന്നാലൊ?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): അതു ശരിയല്ല.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery cum Peermade*): കമ്മിറ്റി പറയുന്നപ്രകാരം നടപ്പിൽ വരുത്താതിരുന്നാൽ എന്തു ചെയ്യണം?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): നടപ്പിൽ വരുത്തണമെന്നാണ് ഞാൻ പറയുന്നതു്; അല്ലെങ്കിൽ ഇതിനൊരവസാനമുണ്ടാവുകയില്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : ഈ കൌൺസിലിൽ ഒരു റസല്യൂഷൻ വന്നു അതിനു ഗവണ്മെൻറുഭാഗത്തുനിന്നും പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ള മറുപടിയനുസരിച്ചു കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ തീരുമാനം ഉണ്ടാകുന്നതുവരെയും അതിനുശേഷം കമ്മറ്റിയുടെ തീരുമാനമനുസരിച്ചും നടത്താൻ ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു കടമയില്ലെ?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): ഇപ്പോൾ ഒരാർഡറുണ്ടു് ; അതനുസരിച്ചു നടക്കരുതെന്നൊ അല്ലെങ്കിൽ അതനുസരിച്ചുമാത്രമെ നടക്കാവു എന്നൊ എനിക്കു പറയുവാൻ നിർവാഹമില്ല. കഴിഞ്ഞതവണ കമ്മീഷണർ പറഞ്ഞ കണക്കു ശരിയാണെങ്കിൽ അദ്ദേഹത്തെ കുറ്റപ്പെടുത്താനില്ലെന്നാണു് എനിക്കു പറയേണ്ടതു്.

So, we are not in a position to say whether the department is acting up to the direction given by the Government or not. For my part, I am unable to decide one way or the other. Then with regard to the supersession of acting men.....

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PRESIDENT: Your time is up.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): The apple of discord is again on the floor of the House. The dragon's teeth are sown and the crop of soldiers are fighting to their own ruin. It is very unfortunnate that the oldest member of the House should be the one to sow the dragon's teeth and make the discussions of this House ineffective by bringing the communal problem again to the forefront. I grant that it may be a real grievance and that it should be set right, and that in the right manner at the earliest possible opportunity. I think committees may be appointed, committees may come and committees may go, but the communal question will go on so long as the official block is not responsible to the people or to the Council. There is already a circular issued by the Government; and the Council have accepted it. The Government has accepted it, and everybody has accepted it. Yet the responsible officers are not carrying it out.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Can the member say any specific instance in support of his statement?

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): I am not in a position to do so now. I am speaking only of the principle.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum cum Neduvangad*): The member said the officials are ignoring the order.....

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): I have only a few minutes and have to say something more. I request the members to allow me to say what I have to say. Unless the Executive is made responsible to the Council, this question is not going to be solved; and it will ever divide us and bring about ruin to the popular side of the House. When the present Council was elected, a number of young men were returned to the Council and the country expected the Council to work unanimously and to do much for the good of the people. But on coming over here we are again fighting like Kilkenny cats. Last year also we had the same difficulty; and we divided and parted on the communal question. Many more important items remain to be discussed here; and the official block is now enjoying on account of our own internal dissensions. I must say that I do not attribute any motives to anybody when I point out that while last year the first Demand to be discussed was that of the Public Works Department, this year the order has been changed, perhaps because it was certain that, when the Demand for Land Revenue is made, the communal question would crop up and divide the House internally for the whole session, and thus enable the official block to carry the Budget unhampered without even the necessary cuts being made.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Are Government responsible if cuts are made by the House?

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): The Government are not certainly not responsible for that; I am finding fault with ourselves, the members on this side of the House.

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MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Thodupuzha*): When the principle is accepted, why should there be a division?

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): Even if the principles are granted, there are details. We fight on these details and lose the opportunity that we have of discussing the cuts that we have to make. We are wasting the time of the Council on this question that has been discussed threadbare long long ago; and it is a sorry spectacle to see these quarrels once again. We are not rising equal to the occasion and it is in violation of the trust reposed in us by the people whom we represent that we fight over this small matter. Personally, I do not think the committee that has been appointed is going to do anything for solving the communal problem. The only remedy that I can suggest is to making this Executive responsible to the people.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): സർ, മി: കുഞ്ഞി തൊമ്മന്റെ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ ഞാനും പിൻതാങ്ങുന്നു. മി: കുഞ്ഞു കൃഷ്ണപിള്ള പറഞ്ഞതു റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലെ നിയമനങ്ങളിൽ അസമത്വമുണ്ടായക്കാക്കു പ്രാതിനിദ്ധ്യം ലഭിക്കുന്നില്ലെന്നു കാണിക്കുന്ന ഒരു ലിസ്റ്റ് ബോധ്യപ്പെടുത്തിയാൽ അദ്ദേഹം അതിനു അനുകൂലിക്കാമെന്നാണു്. എന്നാൽ ഇപ്പോഴും ശരിയായ ലിസ്റ്റു കിട്ടണമെന്നു് ചോദ്യങ്ങൾ ചോദിച്ചിട്ടു് ഇതുവരെ മറുപടികിട്ടീട്ടില്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry North*): റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലെ നിയമനങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു് ക ഖ-ൽ അധികം ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു മറുപടി തന്നിട്ടില്ലെന്നുള്ളതു് മെമ്പർക്കു അറിയാമൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): എന്റെ ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു മറുപടി കിട്ടീട്ടില്ല.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce And Industry North*): റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം കണക്കുകൾസഹിതം പറയുന്നതിനു് നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ ലിസ്റ്റു കിട്ടാതെസാധിക്കുമൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): ഇല്ല.

MR. TARIATHU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industy North*): അപ്പോൾ ഈ കണക്കുപറയുന്നില്ലെന്നുള്ള ആക്ഷേപം അനുദ്യോഗസ്ഥമെമ്പറന്മാരുടെ മേൽ ചുമത്താമൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): ഞാനൊരു കണക്കുണ്ടാക്കീട്ടുണ്ടു്. ക, ഖ വ്യ ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങളാണു റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ ആകെയുള്ളതു്. എന്റെ ഈ കണക്കിൽ തെറ്റുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ ഫിനാഷ്യൽ സെക്രട്ടറി അതു് തിരുത്തുമെന്നു ഞാൻ വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നു.

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ന്നവ, ൈ ൦ ൨ ബ്രാഹ്മണരുള്ളതിൽ ൨ ൎ വ്വ-ം, വ ൎ വ്വ, ൦ ൦ ൦ നായ ന്മാരുള്ളതിൽ ഫ, ഫന്ന൨-ം വന്നൻ, ൈ ൦ ന൨ ഈഴവരുള്ളതിൽ ൎ ഫ-ം ഫ, ൎ ൨ വ്വ, ൫ ൨ ൨ മറ്റു ഹിന്ദുക്കളുള്ളതിൽ ഫ ൨ വ്വ-ം വീതം ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങളാണ് എന്റെ കണക്കിൻപ്രകാരം റവന്യൂഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ കാണുന്നതു.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): ഫ ഫ ൦ ൈ-ൽ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ പട്ടിക കിട്ടീട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. P KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): ഫ ഫ ൦ ൈ-ലേതു എനിക്കു കിട്ടീട്ടില്ല.

ന൫൨,൨ ൈ ൎ മുസ്ലീമുകളുള്ളതിൽ ഫന൨-ം ഫ,ന്ന ൎ ൎ, ൈ ൫ ൎ-കൃസ്ത്യാനികളുള്ളതിൽ ഫന൨ൻ-ം വീതമാണ് ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങളുള്ളതു്. ഏകദേശം ൻ ൦ ൦, ൦ ൦ ൦-ത്തോളം വരുന്ന സവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കു ന്നൂറിൻതൊണ്ണൂറിൻപതു ഭാഗവും കഴിച്ചിട്ട് ശേഷം ഒരു ഭാഗം മാത്രമെ മറ്റുള്ളവക്കു പങ്കുവച്ചുകൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ളു. ന൨ പേഷ്കാർമാരുള്ളതിൽ അസമത്വ സമുദായത്തിൽപ്പെട്ടവരാരും തന്നെയില്ല. ഡിവിഷൻ അസിസ്റ്റൻറന്മാർ ൈ-പേരുള്ളതിൽ, അടുത്തകാലത്തു് ഒരു കൃസ്ത്യാനിയെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതല്ലാതെ, പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞ വർഗ്ഗത്തിൽപ്പെട്ടവരാരുംതന്നെ ഉള്ളതായികാണുന്നില്ല. തഹശിൽദാരമാരുടെ ക്ലർക്കുന്തിൽ ഈ സമുദായത്തിൽ പെട്ടവർ നാലൊ, അഞ്ചൊ ആളുകളിൽ കൂടുതൽ കാണുമെന്നു തോന്നുന്നില്ല പാവ്വത്യകാരമാരുടെ കഥനോക്കുകയാണെങ്കിൽ, ആറൊ ഏഴൊ പേർ മാത്രമെയുള്ളു.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandram*): ഫ ഫ ൦ ന-ലേയും ഫ ഫ ൦ ൈ-ലേയും കണക്കുകൂടി കൂട്ടിലുണ്ടോ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): അത് ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടു്. ഇതെവരെയും മറുപടിതന്നിട്ടില്ല.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM (*Muvttupuzha cum Todupuzha*): ഈ ഒടുവിൽ പറഞ്ഞതുക ഏതു സമുദായത്തിൽപ്പെട്ടവരെ സംബന്ധിച്ചുള്ളതാണു്.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnud*): കൃസ്ത്യാനികളെല്ലാം ഉൾപ്പെട്ടതിയാണു്.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ലാൻറ് റവന്യൂ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിനെസംബന്ധിച്ചു ചോദിച്ച ചോദ്യങ്ങളിൽ ഫ ൦ ൦-ൽ വ്യ൦നം ഉത്തരംപറഞ്ഞിട്ടില്ലെന്നു അറിയാമൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): ഫ ൦ ൦-നു് ൻൻ നാം ഉത്തരം പറഞ്ഞിട്ടില്ല.

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MR. KAYALAMPARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) : ഫ ഫ ഠ ട-ലെ നിയമനങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ച മെമ്പക്ക് കിട്ടിയിടത്തോളം വിവരം പറയാമൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*) : ആ വിവരം എനിക്കിതുവരെ കിട്ടീട്ടില്ല.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): അതിനെപ്പറ്റി അറിയാൻ മാർഗ്ഗമില്ലെ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*) : എനിക്കു ആ കണക്കുകഠം കിട്ടിയില്ല. എന്റെ താലൂക്കിനെസംബന്ധിച്ചു വേണമെങ്കിൽ എനിക്കു പറവാൻകഴിയും.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*) : തിരുവനന്തപുരം പേഷ്കാർ നടത്തീട്ടുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങളിൽ ഒന്നു-ൽ ഉ-പേർമാത്രമെ കത്തോലിക്കരുള്ളു എന്നു് മെംബക്കറിയാമൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHU KORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): അറിയാം. എന്തെന്നാൽ മറ്റു് ക്രസ്ത്യാനികളിൽനിന്നും മറ്റും അപേക്ഷകന്മാരില്ലാതെ വന്നതുകൊണ്ടാണു് ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനങ്ങഠം നടത്താത്തതെന്നു വിചാരിക്കാൻ യാതൊരുമാർഗ്ഗവും കാണുന്നില്ല. പലരും ഉദ്യോഗത്തിനപേക്ഷിച്ചു് ഡിപ്പാസിറ്റുംകെട്ടിവച്ചു കാത്തിരിക്കുന്നു എന്നുള്ളതിനു് ഞാൻ തന്നെ ഒരു സാക്ഷിയാണു്. ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ അവരുടെ സ്വജാതീയക്കു കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരെക്കൊണ്ടു അവധി എടുപ്പിച്ചുപോലും ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങഠം നൽകി സീനിയാറിട്ടി വരുത്തുന്നുണ്ടു്. പത്തുകൊല്ലത്തിനിപ്പുറമുള്ള ലാൻറവന്യൂ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലെ അക്കിംഗ്ലിസ്റ്റും പെർമനൻറുലിസ്റ്റും വെയിറ്റിംഗ്ലിസ്റ്റും നോക്കിയാൽ അതിൽ കാണുന്നതുമുഴുവൻ സവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കളാണു്. ഇതിനുള്ള കാരണം തഫശിൽദാർമാർ അവരുടെ ഇഷ്ടംപോലെ സ്വന്തമാളുകളെ ഉദ്യോഗത്തിൽ നിയമിക്കുന്നതു് കമ്മിഷണർ ശ്രദ്ധിക്കാത്തതുകൊണ്ടാണു്. ആരെങ്കിലും അനീതി പ്രവത്തിക്കുന്നു എന്നു കമ്മിഷണരെ അറിയിച്ചാൽ വേണ്ടതുപോലെ പ്രവത്തിക്കാമെന്നു അദ്ദേഹം പറയുന്നതല്ലാതെ യാതൊന്നും പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നില്ല. ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ അനീതി പ്രവർത്തിച്ചാൽ കമ്മിഷണരുടെ അടുക്കൽ അപ്പീൽകൊടുക്കരുതൊ എന്നൊരു ചോദ്യത്തിനവകാശമുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ രണ്ടും മൂന്നുംതവണ അക്കിംഗ് കിട്ടി പിന്നെ കിട്ടാതിരിക്കുന്നവർ കമ്മിഷണരുടെ അടുക്കൽ അപ്പീൽകൊടുത്താൽ അവക്കു ഒരു മറുപടിപോലും കിട്ടുന്നില്ല.

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MR. R. S. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): സ്റ്റാംപ്‌ലീവിംഗ്, വില്ലേജ് ടെസ്റ്റ്, സർവ്വെടെസ്റ്റ്, ഇവ പാസായി ഡിപ്ലാസിറും കെട്ടിവച്ചു ജോലികിട്ടാത്ത ഒരാളിനെ പറയാമൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): മലയാളം ഏഴാംക്ലാസ് പാസായി മറ്റു പരീക്ഷായോഗ്യതകളുള്ള കുന്നത്തുനാട്ടുതാലൂക്കു പല്ലുവഴികരയിലുള്ള മാത്തു എന്നു ഒരാൾ ഒരക്കൌണ്ടൻറ് ഉദ്യോഗത്തിനു അപേക്ഷിച്ചിട്ട് ഉദ്യോഗം കൊടുക്കയാകട്ടെ ഡിപ്പാസിറ് കെട്ടിവയ്പിക്കയാകട്ടെ ചെയ്തിട്ടില്ല.

MR. R. S. SUBRAHMANYA PILLAI (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*): ഉദ്യോഗം കിട്ടുന്നതിനുമുമ്പു ഡിപ്പാസിറ് വയ്ക്കുന്ന പതിവുണ്ടൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): ആദ്യം നാലു ദിവസത്തെ ആക്ടിംഗ് കൊടുത്തു ഡിപ്പാസിറ് വയ്ക്കാൻപറഞ്ഞു. അതുകഴിഞ്ഞു പിരിച്ചുവിട്ടു. പിന്നീടു അയാൾക്കു ഉദ്യോഗം കൊടുത്തിട്ടില്ല.

MR. R. NILAKANTAPILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): അപ്പീൽ കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടൊ?

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN (*Kunnatnad*): കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ട്. എന്നാൽ ഒരാൾക്കു അപ്പീൽ കൊടുക്കണമെങ്കിൽ ഇവിടെ വരേണ്ടിയിരിക്കുന്നു. തിരുവിതാംകൂറിൻറെ വടക്കെഅറ്റത്തുള്ള ആലുവായിൽനിന്നും ഒരാൾ ഇവിടെ വന്നു അപ്പീൽകൊടുക്കുക എന്നുള്ളതു് അത്ര സുസാദ്ധ്യമല്ല. അയാൾക്കു വലുതായ ചിലവും വേണ്ടിവരും.

PRESIDENT: Your time is up.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Sir, I also wish to say a word or two on this motion. This question was raised in this Council from its very beginning and for the last eleven years we are hearing this question of giving greater encouragement to the communities that are now inadequately represented. Till now, the Government have not been unable to give satisfaction to any of the parties concerned. If a well-qualified man belonging to a community which is supposed to be adequately represented approaches an officer for employment, he will be told "Here there is no post for you. I have to give it to a person from an unrepresented community." If a person from an unrepresented community approaches the departmental head he will be told "Why, there are better qualified persons and so I cannot give you the appointment." Sir, this gives a handle to the officers who want to appoint their own people. It is highly necessary that the Government should solve this problem.

When a committee was appointed last year, I expected that it would conclude its deliberations, and that the Government would act upon the recommendations of that committee before the Budget session of this

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year. Last year and the year before, I requested the Government to solve this question at the earliest possible opportunity and to save the time of this Council. But that has not been done. It is the duty of the Government to see that this dissatisfaction prevailing amongst all sections of the people in the State is removed at the earliest possible opportunity and that the precious time of this Council is saved at least in future. For the purpose of drawing the attention of Government to this matter, I fully support the motion moved by Mr. Kunjitomman.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Sir, this question, as stated by several members, comes up every year. The trouble is that when the Devaswom Department was separated from the Revenue Department, the officers and subordinates in the department at that time were nearly all caste Hindus, naturally because they had to enter the temples and attend to work there also. When the Devaswom Department was separated, the question was what could be done with the people already in the department. We had to wait till they were promoted, or they died natural deaths or retired. We could not kill them or get rid of them in any other way. As vacancies occurred either by retirement or death, the department had taken new hands at the bottom. The rules about Government service are that we can consider the communal question only in the case of initial appointments and not for promotions. Naturally, people had to be appointed as Accountants before they could become Provertikars. Again, they had to be taken as lowest grade clerks for them to rise to higher grades. We could not take raw hands as Tahsildars, Head Accountants or Provertikars; and it will take some years before the new men, apppointed during the last nine years, can occupy any of these posts. I have not got the statistics with me now; but from the gradation list I see that there are 60 non-caste Hindus and 150 non-Hindus in the department in the clerical grades—I am not talking of the menial service. That means that, during the last nine years these people have been entertained by the department.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the member give us the total number of appointments during the last nine years, to enable us to have an idea as to the proportion?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I have not got the figures. The collection of this information will mean endless labour.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I wish to know what difficulty there is in finding the total number of appointments?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Each year there will be certain men on leave and acting hands will be entertained in those leave vacancies. The information can be had only after going though all the pay bills in all the offices in my Department, and all the supplemental pay bills. All other work will have to be stopped practically if this information has to be gathered.

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[Mr. S. C. H. Robinson.]

I have been saying that the new appointments can only be made at the bottom grades; and we have to wait till they rise up. We have not been able to do it faster. We cannot ignore the communities already in the service.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know roughly what proportion this figure bears to the vacancies?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot say, even roughly.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know what is the percentage of vacancies that occur in a year?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot say that either.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry North*): റവന്യൂദേവസ്വം വിഭാഗം നടത്തിയശേഷം ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുള്ള നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ പട്ടിക ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടപ്പോൾ താമസത്തെന്തുകൊണ്ടാണ്?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): The difficulty will be in getting this. I can send this gradation list to Mr. Kunjitomman and he can see how many have been appointed during the last nine years.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry North*): ഇതിൽ നാൻ കാസ്റ്റ് ഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും നാൻഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും എത്ര ശതമാനം ഉദ്യോഗം ഉണ്ട്?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): தெரியாது.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): രണ്ടുശതമാനമെങ്കിലും നാൻകാസ്റ്റ്ഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും നാൻ ഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും കൊടുത്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): கூடுதல் உண்டு. I can send it on to any member.

I do not think we will be able to satisfy everybody in whatever we do. Many suggestions have been made as to what we should do. Some have suggested that we should stop appointing people from communities already represented in the department for five years to come. Others say that there should be an equal number from each community. Still others are of the opinion that the appointments should be in proportion to the population of the various communities in the State.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Does the Land Revenue Commissioner propose to chalk out any new line, before he receives the recommendations of the Public Service Committee for solving this problem?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): They are going to meet only in Chingam; and I hope that they will be able to suggest some method. What it will be, I do not

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know, but I hope it will give satisfaction to every body. Because certain remarks were made about this department I am answering now. As I said, the new appointments can only be to the bottom grades and that is why the lesser represented communities are not in the higher grades now; it must take some time. The department is open to all communities. I know that in many Taluk Offices various communities have been able to get in. Some members have rather made sweeping statements which they have not been able to substantiate. Every case of seniority is carefully looked into. The service book as also the pay bills are called for, and, if necessary, the orders are reversed.

In my own office, of the four Mahomedans that I appointed, three have gone away. One joined the Postal Department; one was taken in the Secretariat where he was given better pay. A Mahomedan was wanted there and another Mahomedan is now doing very well at the Bar. At present. I have got only one in my office.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Is he a clerk?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes. The ladies are also worrying me for appointments.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): മഹമ്മദീയർ കമ്മിഷണരുടെ ആഫീസിൽ ഇപ്പോഴും ഉണ്ടോ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the member see that the persons who are entertained in future enter into an agreement that they will not go away for some years? (*Laughter.*)

MRS. ANNA CHANDI (*Nominated*): The member was referring to the worry from ladies? May I know how far he has responded to the worry from them?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Five per cent. of my staff represents ladies. I have only got twenty hands in my own office. If the House will sanction a bigger staff for my office, then I will be able to find posts for all communities in my office itself; but at present it is very difficult to satisfy all communities with the limited number of hands in my office and it is really impossible to please everybody.

There is, further, the Public Service Committee sitting in Chingam, and I hope they will be able to find some means of pleasing everybody. Even then, I doubt whether their recommendations will be acceptable to all. The question will always be cumbrous, and there will always be somebody to find fault with. If some member would come forward with constructive suggestions, we will only be too glad.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Can the member give the number of appointments made by him in his office during one year?

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I cannot say; some may have gone on promotion, some may have left.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Are all the communities represented in his office?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I have actually appointed most communities. Either they have gone out on promotion or have taken up better appointments elsewhere. But, practically, all communities in Travancore have been represented in my office at some time or other.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I suppose the better represented communities are not excluded from initial appointments altogether.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I try, as far as possible, to get persons from the unrepresented communities.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Am I to understand that the better represented communities are to be totally excluded from initial appointments?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No; if people from the unrepresented communities are not available, I appoint persons from the better represented communities.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): May I know whether it is recognised that they too should have a share in the intial appointments?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): They also have it. There are no applications from certain unrepresented communities. In such cases we are giving appointments to the better represented communities. In fact, we are taking people from all communities.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Granting that the Government have accepted the principle of communal representation in regard to initial appointments, is it not one of the duties of the Land Revenue Commissioner to see that the Tahsildars observe the rule?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): It is the duty of the Land Revenue Commissioner; but he too has only two eyes, and unless irregularities are brought to his notice, he presumes that the rules are being observed.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): May I know whether it is not one of the normal duties of the Land Revenue Commissioner to see that the rules are observed by all the subordinate officers?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes, it is one of his multifarious duties.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): In that case, may I know whether the Land Revenue Commissioner calls for a monthly statement of appointments made by the Tahsildars?

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : The returns due from the Tahsildars are sent to the Peishkars.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Does the Land Revenue Commissioner get the statements direct from the Tahsildar ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : No, they come through the Peishkars.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Does the Land Revenue Commissioner get *monthly* statements ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I get only *quarterly* statements.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Is the Land Revenue Commissioner satisfied that the appointments made by the Tahsildars are in order and that no irregularities are committed by them ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : If the member had listened carefully to all that I have said he would not have asked me that question. It is not possible to say what proportion of the appointments is to be given to a particular community, until that is fixed by the committee which has now been appointed. There are Nayars, Brahmins and many other classes in the department. But the question is what is to be the proportion of the appointments that a community, or the educated members of a community, should get in the department ?

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : May I take it that the Land Revenue Commissioner has not been able to find out any irregularities in the appointments made by the Tahsildars ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I am not going to say ' yes ' or ' no.' Sir, the member wants to put words into my mouth. I have already said that it is not possible to say whether a community, a particular community, is represented *satisfactorily* or not until the percentage of appointments that should be given to them is fixed.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : May I therefore take it that so far as the Land Revenue Department is concerned, the Commissioner has not been able to find out a single irregularity in the matter of appointments made by the officers under him ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That again is a sweeping statement, Sir. That is not the statement that I made. Does the member mean that any junior officer in the department has been promoted overlooking the claims of his seniors ?

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Will the Land Revenue Commissioner tell me whether he has till now reported to the Government any particular case in which a Tahsildar transgressed or has not observed the rules laid down by the Government ?

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : Sir, in a previous meeting of the Council when Mr. M. E. Watts was the President it was held that all correspondence between the Government and their officers should be treated as confidential. Therefore, I cannot say whether I have reported to the Government any case of irregularity on the part of any officer of the Land Revenue Department.

MR S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : If the member is not willing to answer me, I do not wish to press.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : No, I cannot answer that question.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Is not the Land Revenue Commissioner bound to consider the question of appointments made by his subordinates at the time of his annual inspection ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That again is a very wide question. What does the member mean by the 'question of appointments' ? If he means that a junior man has been placed over the head of a senior, it is not possible for me to answer him ?

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : The member might include all the aspects of the question I have asked. Will he answer any one of those aspects ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : The question is too wide.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*) : Sir, I rise to a point of order. A member is to put a question and then sit down and not argue like a lawyer.

PRESIDENT : Your time is up Mr. Robinson.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Agastisvaram*) : May I know whether the member will be agreeable.....

PRESIDENT : Mr. Robinson has finished his speech. You cannot now put him a question.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) സർ, പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവീസിൽ പ്രത്യേകിച്ചു റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിൽ അഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും അവർണ്ണഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കും ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങൾ നല്കുന്നതിൽ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ വിമുഖരാണെന്നു ഞാൻ വളരെ നാളായി പ്രതിനിധിസഭകളിൽ പറയാറുണ്ട്. അപ്പോഴൊക്കെ എല്ലാം ശരിയായിട്ടാണ് നടക്കുന്നതെന്നും അസമത്വസമുദായങ്ങളെ റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിൽ അധികമായി നിയമിക്കുന്നുണ്ടെന്നും ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥഭാഗത്തു നിന്നു മറുപടി പറയുകയും ചെയ്യും. ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനങ്ങളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചുള്ള പ്രധാന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു പ്രത്യേകം റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിനെപ്പറ്റി മറുപടി പറയാറില്ല.

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പിന്നെ എങ്ങനെയാണ് അനീതി നടക്കുന്നു എന്നു കണക്കുകൊണ്ടു തെളിയിക്കുന്നതു്? ലാൻഡ് റവന്യൂകമ്മിഷണരുടെ പ്രസംഗമെടുത്താൽ അസമത്വ സമുദായങ്ങളിൽ നിന്നും കുറേപേരെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നു പറഞ്ഞ അവസരത്തിൽ അതുകൊണ്ടുള്ള നിയമനത്തിൽ എത്രശതമാനമുണ്ടെന്നു ചോദിച്ചപ്പോൾ പറയുവാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ലെന്നാണ് പറഞ്ഞതു്. ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേലധ്യക്ഷനുതന്നെ പറയുവാൻ സാധിക്കാത്ത കണക്കു ഞാൻ എങ്ങനെ കാണിക്കും. നീതിയായിട്ടാണു ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനങ്ങൾ നടത്തുന്നതെന്നു കണക്കുകൾസഹിതം സ്ഥാപിക്കേണ്ട കമ്മിഷണർ അങ്ങനെ ചെയ്യാത്തതുകൊണ്ടുതന്നെ നിയമനങ്ങളിൽ വലിയ അനീതിയാണ് നടക്കുന്നതെന്നു സ്പഷ്ടമാണ്.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): ഇരു ശതമാനം ഈ സമുദായങ്ങളിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടവർക്കു കൊടുക്കണമെന്നു വല്ല ചട്ടവുമുണ്ടോ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ചട്ടസഭയിലെ ചട്ടത്തിന്റെ പ്രതിനിധ്യം വഹിക്കുന്ന മെമ്പർക്കു ചട്ടം ഞാൻ പറഞ്ഞു തരണോ?

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): ഇപ്പോൾ അതിലേക്കു വല്ലചട്ടവുമുണ്ടോ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): അതു മെമ്പർ തന്നെ പറയണം; ഞാൻ പറഞ്ഞുതരേണ്ട ആവശ്യമില്ലെന്നതന്നെയുമല്ല ഞാൻ ലായുടെ പ്രതിനിധ്യമല്ല വഹിക്കുന്നതും.

ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ ഇപ്പോൾതന്നെ ഒരു വ്യവസ്ഥയുണ്ടെന്നു് എനിക്കറിയാം. എന്നാൽ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറു മേധാവികൾ അതിനെ ശരിയായി പാലിക്കുന്നില്ല. ഫൻറു ബിൽ മി. രാഘവയ്യാ ശിവാൻജിയുടെ കാലത്തു് ഇതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു ഒരു പ്രമേയം ഞാൻ തന്നെ ഈ കൌൺസിലിൽ കൊണ്ടുവന്നു. അന്നു ഞാൻ അതു പറഞ്ഞു. അന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറുഭാഗത്തു നിന്നും ചീഫ് സെക്രട്ടറി മി. ആർ. കൃഷ്ണപിള്ള പറഞ്ഞ മറുപടിയുടെ ഒരുഭാഗം ഞാനിവിടെ വായിക്കാം.

"Other things being equal, perference should be given to unrepresented and poorly represented communities"

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ഗവണ്മെൻറു പറഞ്ഞമറുപടിയിൽ ഒരുഭാഗമാണിതു്. അതിന്റെ സാരം മറുകായ്ങ്ങം തുല്യമായിരുന്നാൽ പ്രാതിനിധ്യമൊട്ടുമില്ലാത്തതും പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞതുമായ കമ്മ്യൂണിട്ടിയിൽ നിന്നും അപേക്ഷകന്മാർ വരുമ്പോൾ അവരുടെ അവകാശങ്ങളെ പ്രഥമമായിഗണിച്ചു് ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനം നടത്തണം എന്നാണല്ലൊ. ഇതനുസരിച്ചു നടക്കുന്നില്ലെന്നു തെളിയിക്കുന്നതിനാണു നിയമനങ്ങളുടെ പട്ടികവേണമെന്നു ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നതു്. ആ കണക്കുകൾ കിട്ടുന്നപക്ഷം ഇപ്പോൾ പകലാണെന്നു നിശ്ചയമുള്ളതുപോലെ റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിലെ ഉദ്യോഗനിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ ൻവ-ശതമാനം ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങളും കാസ്റ്റ് ഹിന്ദുക്കൾക്കു തന്നെയാണു കൊടുത്തു വരുന്നതെന്നു തെളിയും. നിയമനങ്ങളിൽ തന്നെ ഇതു വർഗ്ഗീയ പക്ഷപാതം പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്ന ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരുടെ മറുദ്യോഗ കൃത്യങ്ങൾ എങ്ങനെ ആയിരിക്കുമെന്നുള്ളതു ഞാൻ പറയുന്നതിനെക്കാൾ ഊഹിക്കയാണു് നല്ലതു്. കണക്കുകൾ കൊണ്ടു വെളിപ്പെടുന്ന കാര്യങ്ങളിൽ പക്ഷപാതം പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നവർ വെളിപ്പെടുത്താൻ സാധിക്കാത്ത കാര്യങ്ങളിൽ എത്രയധികം കാണിക്കുമെന്നും അതിന്റെ ഫലമായിഎത്ര നഷ്ടങ്ങളും ബുദ്ധിമുട്ടുകളും ഭ്രരിപക്ഷം ജനങ്ങളും അനുഭവിക്കുന്നുണ്ടെന്നും ആർക്കും അനുമാനിക്കാം. ആ അനുഭവമാണു് ഉദ്യോഗവാദത്തിന്റെ മൂലകാരണം; അല്ലാതെ ശമ്പളം കിട്ടണമെന്നതുമാത്രമല്ല. ഇപ്പോഴുള്ള ഗവണ്മെൻറാർഡർ അനുസരിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നില്ലെങ്കിൽ ആ ആർഡർ റദ്ദ്ചെയ്യണം. ഗവണ്മെൻറുത്തരവിനെ ജനങ്ങൾ ലംഘിച്ചാൽ ശിക്ഷ അനുഭവിക്കും. ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർക്കു ശിക്ഷ കയറാവും ഉയർച്ചയുമാണെങ്കിൽ അവർ ഈ വിധം പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നതിൽ അതിശയിപ്പാനുണ്ടൊ. ഇതു ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ സൽകീർത്തിക്കു എത്ര ബാധകമാണെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറു ഓർക്കുന്നില്ല. കീഴുദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരെക്കൊണ്ടു ശരിയായി അനുസരിപ്പിക്കാൻ ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു കഴിയുന്നില്ല എന്നാണ് ജനങ്ങൾ ധരിക്കാൻ ഇടയാകുന്നതെങ്കിൽ എത്ര അപേക്ഷോപകരമാണതു്.

മറുസമുദായത്തിൽപെട്ടവർക്കു അപ്പീലിംഗ് സവ്വീസുണ്ടു്; അതുകൊണ്ടു അതിനെ പരിഗണിച്ചേ ഉദ്യോഗവിതരണം നടത്തുവാൻ പാടുള്ളു എന്നു പറയാറുണ്ടു്. എന്നാൽ ഫൻഡ ഭ-ലെ ഗവണ്മെൻറാർഡറിനെ അവഗണിച്ചു ആ കാലത്തിനുശേഷം നടത്തീട്ടുള്ള അപ്പീലിംഗ് നിയമനങ്ങളെ അസമത്വസമുദായങ്ങളുടെ പുതിയ നിയമനാവകാശത്തെ തടയുന്നതിനു ഉപയോഗിക്കരുതു്. പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞവർഗ്ഗ

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ങ്ങളിലുള്ള അപേക്ഷകന്മാരുടെ അവകാശത്തെ മുൻനിത്തി നിയമനം നടത്തണമെന്ന വ്യവസ്ഥയുണ്ടെങ്കിലും അതിനെ തീരെ ഗണിക്കാതെയാണു ഇപ്പോൾ പ്രവത്തിക്കുന്നതെന്നു കാസ്റ്റ് വാർ സ്റ്റേയിറ്റുമെൻറു തെളിയിക്കും. നിവത്തിയുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ വസ്തുതകളെപ്പറ്റി ഈ സഭയിൽ പ്രതിപാദിക്കാതെ കഴിക്കണമെന്നുതന്നെയാണ് എന്റെയും അഭിപ്രായം. പൌരശരീരത്തിലെ വിവിധ അവയവങ്ങളാണല്ലൊ ഇവിടത്തെ വിവിധസമുദായങ്ങൾ. ഏതെങ്കിലും ഒരവയവത്തിനുണ്ടാകുന്ന അസ്വസ്ഥതശരീരത്തിനു പൊതുവെയുള്ള അസ്വസ്ഥതയാണ്. ഇടത്തുകൈ ശോഷിച്ചുപോകട്ടെ എന്നു വലത്തുകൈവിചാരിക്കാമൊ. പൌരശരീരത്തിന്റെ അവയവങ്ങളായ വന്നിച്ച ജനവിഭാഗങ്ങൾ അസമത്വദുഃഖം അനുഭവിച്ചുകഴിയുന്നു.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): പ്രാതിനിധ്യക്കുറവുള്ളവരുടെ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം മറ്റുള്ളവരോടു തുല്യമാകുന്നതുവരെ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കൂടുതലുണ്ടെന്നു വിചാരിക്കപ്പെട്ടവരുന്ന ആക്ഷേപത്തെ ഉദ്യോഗങ്ങൾ നൽകാൻ പാടില്ലെന്നാണൊ മെമ്പർ പറയുന്നതു?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഇപ്പോൾ ഒരു ഗവണ്മെൻറു വ്യവസ്ഥയുണ്ടു; അതനുസരിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിക്കണം എന്നുമാത്രമെ ഞാൻ പറയുന്നുള്ളു.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): ആ ആർഡർ എന്താണു?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഫൻറു 9– ഫെബ്രുവരിയിലെ കൌൺസിൽ പ്രൊസീഡിംഗ്സിൽ ഉണ്ടു; മെമ്പർക്കുതന്നെ അതു വായിച്ചുനോക്കാം.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): ഈ വിഷയത്തിൽ മെമ്പറുടെ ഉദ്ദേശമെന്താണു?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഗവണ്മെൻറിന്റെ ഉദ്ദേശംതന്നെ. ഗവണ്മെൻറു വ്യവസ്ഥ അനുസരിച്ചു നടക്കണമെന്നും ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ അതിനെ പാലിക്കണമെന്നുമാത്രമെയുള്ളു.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): ഇങ്ങനെ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറവാണെന്നു കാണപ്പെട്ടിരിക്കുന്ന സമുദായക്കാരുടെ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം, പ്രാതിനിധ്യം ധാരാളമുള്ള മറ്റുസമുദായക്കാരുടെ പ്രാതിനിധ്യത്തിനു തുല്യ

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മാകുന്നതുവരെ പ്രാതിനിധ്യമുണ്ടെന്നു വിചാരിക്കപ്പെടുന്നവരെ നിയമിക്കരുതു് എന്നു മെമ്പർക്കുദ്ദേശമുണ്ടോ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഗവണ്മെൻറു ഇതിനെപ്പറ്റി നല്ലപോലെ ആലോചിച്ചു ബുദ്ധിമാനും നീതിമാനുമായ ഒരു ബ്രാഹ്മണ ദിവാൻ മി: രാഘവയ്യായുടെ കാലത്തു ചെയ്ത വ്യവസ്ഥയാണു് ഇന്നുള്ളതു്. അദ്ദേഹം ഒരു നല്ല രാജ്യതന്ത്രജ്ഞനും നീതിമാനുമായിരുന്നു. അദ്ദേഹമാണല്ലൊ അനുദ്യോഗസ്ഥ ഭൂരിപക്ഷമുള്ള ഈ നിയമസഭ നമുക്കു ഇവിടെ സ്ഥാപിച്ചുതന്നതും രാജ്യത്തെ ഭൂരിപക്ഷം ജനങ്ങളുടെ അവകാശരക്ഷക്കുവേണ്ടി റവന്യൂഭേവസ്ഥാവിഭജനം നടത്തിയതും. അങ്ങനെയുള്ള ഒരു ദിവാൻജിയുടെ കാലത്തുണ്ടായ വ്യവസ്ഥയെ അനുസരിച്ചു നടക്കണമെന്നുമാത്രമെ ഞാൻ പറയുന്നുള്ളൂ.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): ആ ഉത്തരവിനു കല്പിക്കുന്ന അർത്ഥം മെമ്പർ പറയുന്നതുതന്നെയാണൊ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): അതു ലാമെമ്പർക്കും നിയമജ്ഞനായ മെമ്പർക്കും അറിയാമെല്ലൊ. അതു വളരെ വ്യക്തമാണെന്നാണു ഞാൻ വിചാരിക്കുന്നതു്.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): അതിനെസംബന്ധിച്ചു മെമ്പറുടെ ഉദ്ദേശമെന്താണു്?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*). എനിക്കു അതനുസരിച്ചു നടക്കണമെന്നേയുള്ളൂ. "ദുർബലസ്യ ബലം രാജ" എന്നുണ്ടു്. ഞാൻ ഗവൺമെൻറിനെയാണു് ഈ അവസരത്തിൽ ആധാരമാക്കി വച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു്. ഗവണ്മെൻറു വ്യവസ്ഥയെ പരിരക്ഷിക്കണം; ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാർ അതിനെ സർവത്രലംഘിക്കുന്നു.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery cum Peermade*): റവന്യൂ വകുപ്പിൽ ഇനി മേലാലുണ്ടാകുന്ന നിയമനങ്ങളിൽ അസമതാപ്രസമുദായങ്ങളിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടവരുടെ ജനസംഖ്യയനുസരിച്ചുള്ള പ്രാതിനിധ്യം നൽകണം എന്നല്ലെ മെമ്പറുടെ ഉദ്ദേശം?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): റവന്യൂ വകുപ്പിൽ അസമതാപ്രസമുദായകാർക്കു പ്രാതിനിധ്യം എത്രയും കുറവാണു്. അതുകൊണ്ടു അവരുടെ ജനസംഖ്യയനുസരിച്ചു മാത്രം പോരാ കൂടുതലായും കൊടുക്കണമെന്നാണു് എൻറെ അഭിപ്രായം.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery cum Peermade*) അതായതു, അങ്ങനെയുള്ളവരുടെ കാര്യത്തിൽ ഒരു പ്രത്യേകത കാണിച്ചാൽ മതിയൊ?

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MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) അതെ. എന്നാൽ മറ്റുള്ളവക്ക് ഒന്നും കൊടുക്കരുതു എന്നുള്ള അഭിപ്രായം ഞാനൊരിക്കലും പറയാറില്ല. രാഷ്ട്രീയകാര്യങ്ങളിലെല്ലാപേരും സമത്വത്തോടും സാഹോദര്യത്തോടുമിരിക്കണമെന്നാണ് എന്റെ ആഗ്രഹം. ഞാൻ Universal brother hood –മനുഷ്യരുടെ വിശ്വവ്യാപകമായ സാഹോദര്യം — ഇതിൽ വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നവനാണ്.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): ആ ഉത്തരവിലെ താല്പര്യമനുസരിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിച്ചാൽ ഈ വാദം നിത്തിവയ്ക്കാമൊ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): പബ്ലിക്ക് സർവീസ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ റിപ്പോർട്ടു വന്നു, അതിന്മേൽ ഗവണ്മെന്റു ഒരു ആഡർ പാസാക്കുന്നതുവരെ ആ വ്യവസ്ഥയിലെ താല്പര്യമനുസരിച്ചും അതിനു ശേഷം കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ തീരുമാനം അനുസരിച്ചും പ്രവത്തിക്കണം.

MR. A. TAHNU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): ഈ സംഗതിയെപ്പറ്റിവോട്ടു ചെയ്യുന്നതിനു കാര്യം മനസ്സിലാക്കിയാലല്ലെ സാധിക്കുകയുള്ളൂ. അതിലേയ്ക്കു വേണ്ടി ചോദിക്കുകയാണ്; ഇങ്ങനെ പേഷ്കാർമാർ നിയമനം നടത്തിയാൽ അതു ഈ രൂപം അനുസരിച്ചു പ്രവത്തിച്ചതാണെന്നു മെമ്പർ ധരിക്കുന്നതെങ്ങനെ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): അതിപ്പോഠം കാണിച്ചു തരുവാൻ സാധിക്കുകയില്ല. സാധാരണകാര്യങ്ങൾ ഗ്രഹിക്കുന്ന പോലെ ഗ്രഹിക്കാം. റവന്യൂവകുപ്പിൽ തീരെ പ്രാതിനിധ്യമില്ലാത്തവക്കു കൂടുതൽ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കൊടുക്കണമെന്നല്ലാതെ മറ്റാക്കും കൊടുക്കരുതെന്നല്ല എന്റെ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തിന്റെ താല്പര്യമെന്നു വ്യക്തമായി പറയുന്നു.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): ഈ ഉത്തരവനുസരിച്ചും, കുറെ കൂടുതൽ ആനുകൂല്യം കാണിച്ചും പ്രവത്തിച്ചാൽ ഈ വിഷയത്തെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു വാദം ഈ ബഡ്ജറ്റു സെഷനിൽ നമുക്കു നിറുത്തിവയ്ക്കാമൊ?

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*) : എന്നും നിറുത്തിവക്കാം. ഇന്നു പ്രാതിനിധ്യമില്ലാതിരിക്കുന്ന ഏതു പക്ഷം കൃസ്ത്യാനികളുടെയും അഹിന്ദുക്കളുടെയും മുസ്ലീമിങ്ങളുടെയും സ്ഥാനത്തു സവർണ്ണർ നിൽക്കുകയാണെന്നും ഞങ്ങൾ നിങ്ങളുടെ വാദത്തെ എതിക്കു

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[Mr. Tariatu Kunjitomman.]

ന്ന എന്നും വയ്ക്കുക. നിശ്ചയമായും അപ്പോഴും നിങ്ങളും ഞങ്ങളെ കുറ പ്പെടുത്തുകയില്ലയൊ? തങ്ങളെപ്പോലെമറുള്ളവരെയുംഗണിക്കേണ്ടയൊ? ഞങ്ങളും നിങ്ങളുടെ സ്ഥാനത്താണെങ്കിൽ നിശ്ചയമായും ഞാൻ സവർണ്ണ ഹിന്ദുക്കളുടെ ശരിയായ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കിട്ടുന്നതുവരെ കുസ്തൃാനികളും മുതലായവർ അടങ്ങിനിൽക്കണമെന്നെ പറയുകയുള്ളു. അസമത്വം ഒരിക്കലും പാലിക്കാൻ പാടില്ല. അനീതിയെയും അക്രമത്തെയും എതിർക്കേണ്ടതു മനുഷ്യധർമ്മമാണ്.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara cum Kartikapalli*): ഞാൻ ചോദിച്ചതു അതല്ല; ഇവിടെ വായിച്ച ഉത്തരവനുസരിച്ചു കുറച്ചുകൂടി അനുകൂല്യം കാണിച്ചാൽ ഈ ബഡ്ജറ്റ് സെഷനിൽ ഈ വാദംക്രമാതെ കഴിക്കാമൊ എന്നാണ്.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Commerce and Industry, North*): ഉണ്ടവനു പലഹാരം കിട്ടാത്ത ദുഃഖം, ഉണ്ണാത്തവനു ആഹാരം കിട്ടാത്ത ദുഃഖം, എന്നു പറഞ്ഞ പോലെയാണ്. ഒരു വമ്പിച്ച ജനവിഭാഗം ഇതുയും കാലം അസമത്വം അനുഭവിച്ചു വന്നിരുന്നു. ഇനി എങ്കിലും അതിനു പരിഹാരം വരുത്തണം. അവരുടെ അസമത്വത്തെ നീക്കിയാൽമാത്രമെ രാജ്യത്തു സമാധാനമുണ്ടാവുകയുള്ളു. അതിനു എല്ലാവരും യോജിച്ചു ശ്രമിക്കണം; എന്റെ രാജ്യനന്മയെ ലാക്കാക്കിയുള്ള ഈ ഉപക്ഷേപത്തെ എല്ലാവരും അനുകൂലിക്കണമെന്നപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു.

PRESIDENT: Your time is up, Mr. Kunjitomman.

The issue before the House, I take it, is whether, in the Land Revenue Department appointments are being made in accordance with the rule that poorly represented and unrepresented communities should be given preference, other things being equal. The motion is to reduce the allotment of Rs. 14,814 under establishment by Rs. 5.

The motion was put to vote and declared lost.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I demand a poll.

A poll was taken and the House divided as follows :—

AYES 16.

1 Mr. K. P. Abraham
2 Mrs. Anna Chandi
3 Mr. K. C. Chandi
4 ,, S. Chattanatha Karayalar
5 ,, A. S. Damodaran Asan
6 ,, K. Gopalakrishna Pillai
7 ,, N. John Joseph
8 ,, Joseph Kunju
9 ,, K. C. Karunakaran
10 Mr. K. I. Kocheeppan Mappillai
11 ,, K. P. Kochukora Tarakan
12 ,, K. Krishnan Nayar
13 ,, E. V. Krishna Pillai
14 ,, Tariatu Kunjitomman
15 ,, P. S. Mahomed
16 ,, K. Narayanaperumal Nadar

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NOES - 26.

1	Mr. L. A. Bishop	14	Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai
2	,, R. Dhanukoti Pillai	15	,, R. Nilakanta Pillai
3	,, K. George	16	,, K. Padmanabha Panikkar
4	,, A. Kumara Pillai	17	,, N. K. Padmnabha Pillai
5	Rao Sahib Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai	18	,, G. Parameswaran Pillai
6	Mr. K. Kunjukrishna Pillai	19	,, Kayalam Parameswaran Pillai
7	,, L. A. Lampard	20	Dr. K. Raman Tampi
8	,, C. O. Madhavan	21	Mr. Rama Varma Raja
9	,, K. Madhavan Pillai	22	,, S. C. H. Robinson
10	,, K. P. Madhavan Pillai	23	,, A. Thanu Pillai
11	,, M. P. Madhavan Pillai	24	,, P. Visvanatha Aiyar
12	,, E. G. McAlpine	25	Rao Bahadur A. Venkatarama Aiyar
13	,, A. Narayana Pillai	26	Mr. J. S. Westerdale

NEUTRALS—4.

1	Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai	3	Mr. R. S. Subrahmanya Pillai
2	,, S. Krishna Pillai	4	,, N. A. Sundaram Pillai

The motion was declared lost.

Motions Nos. 4 and 5.

The following motions were not made :—

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI :

4. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 14,814 for establishment by Rs. 5

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI :

5 To reduce the allotment of Rs. 14,814 for establishment by Rs. 5

Motion No. 6.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : I beg to make the following motion : —

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 14,814 for establishment by s. 10.

Sir, my object in bringing this motion is to urge upon the attention of Government the need for revising the commutation rate of paddy for payment of *Kandukrishi* rent. It was in 1101 that the commutation rate was fixed at the rate of 24 chuckrams per *para*; and then the undertaking was that this rate would be revised at the end of six years. Now, the time has come for revision and the Government do not seem to have taken any steps to effect a revision. I need hardly tell this House that we are living at a time of terrible economic depression. That fact has come into prominence in the discussions in this House.

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[Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai]

It is also reflected in the several speeches, on the Budget and it has also been expressed by the members of the Treasury Bench as well. In view of these facts, and also in view of the fact that, for *pandara-pattam* lands, the commutation rate is fixed at 11 chuckrams, and in view of the fact that the prevailing market price for a *para* of paddy is not more than 11 chuckrams, I would submit to the House that it would be reasonable to fix the commutation rate for payment of *Kandukrishi* rent at 12 chuckrams. With these few observations, I place the motion for the acceptance of the House.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): In seconding this motion, I wish to make one more suggestion with regard to the payment of *Kandukrishi* rent. This 24 chuckrams rate was fixed, as my friend said, in the year 1101; and it was then fixed only for a period of 6 years. The period expires this year. From next year onwards unless the Government pass orders in time, the paddy has to be paid in kind. So far back as 1040 M. E., the Government have recognised the necessity of giving absolute rights to the ryots of *pandarapattam* lands. This was found to be absolutely necessary for the promotion of agriculture in these lands. Permanency of tenure and right to alienate are some of the necessary rights which the cultivator should possess in order to induce him to cultivate land properly and to effect the necessary improvements. With regard to *Kandukrishi* lands, it is wellknown that they are not alienable, that a suit could not be instituted, except under one or two exceptional circumstances mentioned in the *Civil Courts Guide* without the permission of Government; and, even improvements on *Kandukrishi* lands are penalised by fines and other penalties. It is well known that more than a lakh of *paras* of paddy lands are *Kandukrishi* lands and about a sum of 50,000 rupees is spent for the administration of the *Kandukrishi* lands. Therefore, it will be only just that the Government give absolute rights over these properties to the tenants and receive from them the rent at the commutation rate at which the tax on *pandaravka* lands are received. This will ensure greater prosperity to the cultivators of the *Kandukrishi* lands. With these suggestions, I support the motion before the House.

MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR (*Ambalapuzha*): It is a well known fact the *Kandukrishi* ryot is the most hard hit of tax-payers. In the first place, the nature of the tenure is peculiar. The lands are the property of the Sovereign. What a *Kandukrishi* tenant pays in the shape of tax is not tax; but it is rent. This rent was paid in kind to the Land Revenue Department. The ryots complained very much that the subordinates of the department are very rigorous in the matter of collection and they agitated for the commutation of the rent into money; and so, in the year 1101, the Government decided to change the rent into money. The rate fixed at the time was 24 chuckrams per

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para which was the prevailing market rate at the time. The Government never thought that the price of paddy would fall down considerably. Now conditions have changed. The price of paddy is very low and the *Kandukrishi* tenants are in a fix. It is only now that they have been disillusioned of their error in agreeing to pay at 24 chs. per *para*. They have been addressing Government from 1104 onwards, to reduce the rate, for payment of *Kandukrishi* rent. The Government yielded to this agitation and reduced the rate bit by bit. Now, the present rate stands at 15 chuckrams a *para* ; but still the *Kandukrishi* tenant is not satisfied. I would suggest that the commutation rate should be fixed at 11 chuckrams per *para* ; this rate being very near to the market rate for paddy in the places where *Kandukrishi* paddy is grown. This, I think, is the fairest price to be fixed for the *Kandukrishi* paddy. And this is the latest rate fixed for *pandarapattam* lands. With these words, I heartily support the present motion.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I will give a brief history of this question of the commutation rate. In former years, this *Kandukrishi* rent had to be paid in kind. About the year 1926 it was decided by Government to receive it in money ; and the commutation rate had to be fixed. In the year 1101 Mr. K. K. Thomas urged, for various reasons, that Government should expedite the matter and fix the commutation rate at once. The market rate at that time was 29 chuckrams and 3 cash. But Government fixed it at 24 chuckrams in the year 1926. In that G. O., fixing of the commutation rate, it was stated that the rate would be liable to revision at the end of six years. That period ends in Meenam 1108, I think. The concessions already granted to *Kandukrishi* tenants are well known, and I do not think I need reiterate them here. Government, in their proceedings R. O. C. No. 4391/ 31/Rev., dated the 28th May 1932, reduced the rate to 20 chuckrams in view of the fall in the price of paddy. They fixed the commutation rate for *Kandukrishi* paddy payable by the tenants, to 15 chuckrams in the case of those who pay within the year 1107. Subsequent to that several representations have been received from the *Kandukrishi* ryots ; and the whole matter is under the consideration of Government. I am sure Government will consider the matter sympathetically, in all its aspects, and do all they can, bearing in mind, the present economic distress and other connected circumstances.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikkara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Will the time for payment be extended ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That is also one of the points under consideration.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Should not the ryots know it sufficiently early ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : They will know it in time.

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MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : May I know whether this concession will be extended to the Trivandrum ryots as well ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : If the ryots put in a memorial that will be considered.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): What about the enfranchisement of the Kandukrishi lands ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That will be considered in due course.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*) : Has it been considered ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) ; It is being considered.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : Even if they do not send in any memorial, will the member take my representation here as a memorial ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : The conversation in this House is rather vague. It is better to have a specific memorial.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : If they put in a memorial, will the member be prepared to consider it favourably ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That is binding me beforehand.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : At least, will the member be pleased to extend the concession granted to the ryots of Kuttanad to those in Trivandrum also ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That question is suddenly being sprung upon me. Without considering the *pros* and *cons*, I cannot give a definite reply now. All I can say is that every consideration will be given to it, and, as usual, Government will be sympathetic towards them.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : May I know whether the member knows that a cut motion carried in this House will carry more weight than a memorial ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : That is a question of opinion.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakkara* cum *Kunnattur*) : Does the member consider that the *Kandukrishi* tenants of the Trivandrum Division stand on a footing, in any respect, different from the tenants of Kuttanad ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : I am not now prepared to commit myself to any definite statement on any of those points. I have to consider the question in all its aspects.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): What about the commutation rate I referred to ?

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MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): They have put in a memorial, and I have submitted my report; and it is now under the consideration of Government.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): May I know whether the ryots can hope to get any reduction?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): They can hope that the question will be carefully and sympathetically considered in all its aspects.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) Sir, I also wish to associate myself with the suggestions made by the mover. I thought when the Revenue Commissioner was talking about the proposed consideration of the memorial submitted by the Kuttanad ryots that all those points would be made applicable to the pitiable condition of the Trivandrum *Kandukrishi* tenants also. When he was asked by the maker of the motion, and also by some others, whether he would give a promise that he would give the same consideration to the Trivandrum *Kandukrishi* tenants, he replied that he could not extend that promise. I fail completely to see why he makes such a distinction between the tenants of these two Divisions. I think the member, experienced enough in Revenue matters would have argument to show that there are some vital differences between the tenants in both these Divisions. To elicit such information, many questions were put to him. But he was not able to answer.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I said that I could not answer off-hand; I must have time to consider.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): So, he is not in a position to say definitely whether there is any difference between the conditions obtaining in Kuttanad and in Trivandrum. As far as my knowledge goes, there is absolutely no difference. Moreover, there is another point raised by him, to which Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai has already taken objection. Mr. Robinson said he would consider any proposal from the people only when if it takes the shape of a memorial or petition. That is something which we cannot swallow. I do not expect him to treat our suggestions here like that. Under the circumstances, I fully support the motion of Mr. Krishna Pillai.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Sir, I also support Mr. Krishna Pillai's motion. All that I want to say, in regard to this motion, is that the Land Revenue Commissioner's reply, that, if the Trivandrum *Kandukrishi* tenants also would send up a memorial to him or to Government the matter would be considered, is for all practical purposes irrelevant and insulting—if I may say so—to us here. Government, if they approve of the memorial presented by the Kuttanad people, they do so, I daresay, only because the commutation rate has gone down, and not because it is in the form of a memorial. As a matter of fact, we know, last time when the commutation rate was reduced from 24 chs. to 20 chs. and again from 20 chs. to 18 chs.

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[Mr. S. Krishna Pillai.]

that a distinction was made between the *Kandukrishi* tenants of Ambalapuzha and those of Trivandrum. While the *Kandukrish* tenants of Ambalapuzha were called upon to pay 18 chs., the Trivandrum tenants were called upon to pay 20 chs. Even there though a difference was maintained, proportionate reduction was actually made in both cases. I am of opinion that the Government should not, in these matters, wait for representations or memorials from the people. It must be a matter of general policy. Mr. Krishna Pillai thought of bringing this matter to the notice of Government only to point out that they should not wait for any memorial or deputation from the Trivandrum *Kandukrishi* tenants also.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): May I point out that, since paddy sells higher in Trivandrum than in Kuttanad, the Trivandrum *Kandukrishi* tenants are not hit to the same extent as the *Kandukrishi* tenants elsewhere?

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I assure the member that it is not so. The people have asked me to represent the matter before the authorities.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Government are publishing the market rate of paddy for the whole of Travancore as well as for the Ambalapuzha taluk. The people are under the impression that the Government would take up the matter without waiting for a memorial.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Is the price of paddy at Trivandrum and Ambalapuzha the same?

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): I admit that there may be some small difference. But, the price given in the *Gazette* is never correct.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I ask the member what is the objection for the people to put in a memorial praying for the reduction now asked for?

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): My objection is this, namely, that it is for the Government to consider the grievances of the people and to do the needful at the proper time. The Government ought not to wait for representations from the people in all cases.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): If the persons aggrieved do not ask for it, how are the Government to know that they have a grievance in the matter?

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): There cannot be one rule for one taluk and another rule for another taluk when the Government publish the market rates of paddy for the whole of Travancore. They ought to know that the present rate hits hard the Trivandrum *Kandukrishi* tenants.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Will it not be more polite and nicer if the persons affected put in a memorial than to approach Government by means of a cut motion?

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MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): If the Government insist on that formality, I shall certainly advise the people concerned to do so. But I am firmly of opinion that such a memorial should not be expected of them. Government are not.....

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): Will it not be better and more business-like if a representation is put in?

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): That is why I say, if my advice is taken, certainly I shall ask them to do so. But my opinion is that Government should not wait for any such representation. As a vakil, or when consulted professionally, I may probably offer that advice, knowing as I do the attitude of the Government of Travancore in regard to these little matters. If it is a question of policy, that must be made applicable to all people who suffer, and not merely to those who complain. That would mean that Government will take into consideration only the case of those who are able to cry and not of those who are not able even to speak. Should we not take better care of the dumb and the deaf?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): I also wish to add a few words. I would not have thought it necessary to interfere in this debate, but for a question put by Mr. Robinson which affects the rights and prestige of this House. He said that it would be "more polite and nicer" if the people concerned would put in a memorial to redress our grievances. Sir, we have got different methods of bringing a matter to the attention of the Government. One method is by memorial — the long established custom of memoralising and obtaining redress. We, now have, by the grace of our illustrious Ruler who conferred upon us the boon of this Council, a better method of bringing in cut motions and other motions and making Government understand our difficulties. I say, if this method is resented by the Government it is the right of the House to stand up and protest.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I ask the member whether I said 'resented' or whether I merely asked whether it would not be nicer and better to present a memorial?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): The member may like it better because it is more humiliating to the people. But we stand on our rights. Sir, we have got a right to put the matter before the House; and that is the self-respecting way of bringing the matter to the attention of the Government.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Has not this House got the right to order Mr. Robinson to conduct an enquiry?

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): This House has got the right to bring in a motion to discuss a definite matter; and if that cut motion is carried, it is quite a proper way and a nice way too. It is a way that has been allowed to us by the Regulation which guides the proceedings of this House. I think if there is any shadow of doubt

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with regard to that we must insist on this motion for that purpose, for the prestige of the House more than for anything else. So, I support the motion.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I did not think of speaking on this motion but for the exhibition shown of the Travancore officials mentality. (Mr. E. V. Krishna Pillai *hear, hear*). I am really astonished at the view held by some of our high-paid officials on a matter of public importance being brought to their notice by means of a cut motion in this House.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): May I point out a mistake in that, Sir? My object was that we must get some time to consider the matter in all its aspects.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I am not discussing the merits of this question just at this moment. I am referring to the mentality of the Travancore official which is highly objectionable.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): If he is not referring to the merits of the question, I would rise to a point of order, Sir.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I am referring to the observations made by the Law Member and some other members on the other side of the House. I think I have a right to do that; and nobody can tell me that I cannot do that. Anyhow, I must impress upon Government and their officers that it is high time for them to give up the idea that for the redress of a grievance, the party aggrieved must approach them by means of a petition. Sir, the Travancoreans are not bound to remain as petitioners eternally. I may submit to the House that the better and more efficient way of bringing the grievances of the people to the notice of the Government is by a discussion in this House and not by means of a petition. A matter discussed here will certainly be considered as important both from the Government's point of view as also from the people's point of view. That is what I want to emphasise here.

Now, on the merits of the question, the matter has been well put by my friend Mr. Krishna Pillai. Sir, there is no reason why the *Kandukrishi* tenants in Trivandrum should pay more than those people in Ambalapuzha. If the matter has not been put before Government by means of a petition, that is no reason why the matter should not be attended to.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): May I know from the member whether it was because the matter would be discussed in this Council that a petition was not put in?

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): It is expected that when this House is in session important matters will be discussed here, and brought to the notice of Government by the non-officials, and I do not really understand the question of my friend as to whether it was because the matter would be discussed here that a petition was not submitted

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to Government. How the question arises I do not understand. Is it always to be understood that because there is no petition there is no grievance? The Government would do well to bear this in mind namely, that it is their attitude, that creates agitations. Their attitude as in the present instance, gives room to the presumption that no grievance will be redressed if there is no agitation.

PRESIDENT: Keep to the point, Mr. Thanu Pillai.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Sir, I thought I was allowed to make these observations on the question put by my friend. He asked me whether because the matter was expected to be discussed here, a petition was not presented to Government. It *may* have been due to that or it *may not* have been due to that. The matter has been brought to the attention of the Government and I hope that it will be considered by Government, and that promptly.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): What I wanted to say in reply has been sufficiently advocated by my friends Mr. Kunjukrishna Pillai and Mr. Thanu Pillai. If I had not heard Mr. Robinson tell the House that the Government are not prepared to give due consideration to the matter because there was no memorial from the *Kandukrishi* tenants.....

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I think he is mistaken. I only said that I have had no time to consider the matter.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Sir, even if he had told the House that he would consider this aspect of the question, at least in view of the representation made by me before this House, I would have thought it advisable to withdraw my motion in view of his assurance. But now, Sir, in view of what has taken place in the course of the discussion in this House, I press the motion.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): When was the last payment of *Kandukrishi* rent (*tavana*) in the Trivandrum Division? Was it in Edavam?

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Yes. I press the motion, Sir.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): I am sorry that what I said has been taken in a wrong light. All I meant was that the question had certainly been sprung up on me and that I had no time to consider it. We will certainly give the matter every consideration. But we must know to what extent they want the rates to be reduced. In the case of the Ambalapuzha ryots we had a definite proposal. They told us exactly what they wanted it to be reduced to. In this case, I am afraid, what I said has been taken quite in the wrong light. We must have some time to consider the matter, and I can assure the House that it will be considered very sympathetically and in the light of the remarks made in this House.

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MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : If a reduction is made in favour of the *Kandukrishi* ryots of Ambalapuzha, could not a reduction be made in favour of the Trivandrum *Kandukrishi* ryots also, in proportion to the *nirak* rates obtaining in the two localities ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) : All that I can say is that the matter will be considered sympathetically and that we will do all we can.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : Does the member still consider that it will be better and nicer if a memorial is presented ?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income-Tax Commissioner*) : I am sorry it was understood in that light. I thought that if it was in the form of a petition, call it memorial or anything you like, we would get time to consider the matter.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : In view of the explanation and the assurance of Mr. Robinson, I beg leave to withdraw the motion.

PRESIDENT : Does the House give leave for the motion to be withdrawn.

The motion was, by leave, withdrawn.

Motions Nos. 7, and 8.

The following motions were not moved :—

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLI :

7. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,400 for travelling allowance by Rs. 1,000.

MR. K. C. CHANDI :

8. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,400 for travelling allowance by Re. 1.

Motion No. 9.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*) : Sir, I beg to make the following motion:—

To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,400 for travelling allowance by Re. 1.

The object of this motion, as has been indicated, is to press upon the Government the necessity for instituting a committee to enquire into the working of the Land Revenue Department as a whole. Sir, the complaints of the people with regard to the working of this department are many and varied ; and within the period allowed to me, it is rather difficult to make a comprehensive survey of sufferings of the people on account of the working of this department. I would invite the serious attention of the members of this House to certain facts and figures which may be gathered from the *Administration Report* for the year 1106 and also from some of the statements that have been placed before the House in answer to a question. To question No. 2 of Mr. S. Krishna Pillai the answer was given that 82 items of properties have been sold for realising a land reveuue of one chackram. That is why I say that it is a very serious matter and that the members will have to consider what will be at the bottom of the sale of these 82 items of property. I put the question because every aspect of the matter with reference to the sale of immovable property has been discussed. If 82 items of property have been sold for the realisation of a revenue of one chackram and less in one taluk alone, I may not be wrong if I presume that there may be cases of the same kind in every taluk of the State.

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I ask the question how is it that, at a time when the whole country is economically depressed and the people are suffering from acute distress, the department, with all its pretensions to deciding every case on its own merits, is going to reconcile itself with the fact of the sale of these 82 items of property. Sir, I say that no one possessing even half a cent of land will like to see his property sold for such a paltry sum as one chackram. It is certain that there has been a big fraud on these sales; and we are more or less convinced of it from the nature of the sales conducted by these Provertikars. The Council must seriously consider the matter. It must be to benefit some busy body connected with the Tahsildar that these items have been sold for a chackram. No reasonable man can conceive for a moment the idea that a citizen who owns even half a cent of land would be willing to allow his property to be sold for a chackram. If the member for that constituency knew it, I am sure he would have paid the amount. I am sure every member of this House will rather do that than allow properties to be sold for a chackram. Sir, I am prepared to pay all the arrears for the whole State if for the non-payment of sums like a chackram immovable properties are to be sold. Sir, I must say that there is very serious fraud going on. There seems to be something wrong at the bottom of the whole thing. Even last year this House wanted the Government to be very lenient in the matter of enforcing the coercive steps for realising revenue. From the *Administration Report* for 1105 it is found that 82·3 per cent. of the revenue was collected within the year itself. In 1106, in spite of the economic depression, the collection rose up to 93 25 per cent. Very appalling figures are found in the *Administration Report* regarding the collection of revenue. Ninety thousand demand notices have been issued in one taluk alone; in 463 cases movables have been sold in 1106 for realising a revenue of Rs. 3,677. In the same year in 6,412 cases immovables were sold for the realisation of Rs. 4,936. In another taluk, in about 400 cases movables were sold for the collection of Rs. 3,000 odd; and in 2,412 cases immovables were sold for the realisation of about Rs. 4,000. Many complaints have been raised in this House that the Government are coercing the people very much. They should, on account of the economic depression, work the Revenue Recovery Regulation leniently. In the Karunagapalli taluk alone, there are about 82 cases where movables were sold for the realisation of a revenue of 1 chackram and less.

Then, with regard to the general working of the department, there is very serious laxity with regard to the disposal of *pokkuvaravu* cases and the issue of *pattas*. Year after year the same complaint is being brought to this House; and a special staff has been sanctioned in the Survey branch of the Revenue Department for the preparation of sketches. The number of cases disposed of this year is very low when compared with last year. I know as a matter of fact that on account of the laxity of the Revenue Department in the matter of deciding *pokkuvaravu* cases and the issue of *pattas*, thousands of people were kept out of the electoral rolls. Mr. Robinson tells us that there is a lot of arrears and that if the work is to be turned out more efficiently we should allow

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him more staff. That, we have agreed to. But what is it that we see again? The arrears are increasing regularly.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Has the member got figures to substantiate his statement?

MR. K. P. NILAKANATA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I am prepared to answer any question, with facts and figures.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Has the member got figures about the disposal of *pokkuvaravu* cases during the last eight years?

MR. K P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Sir, I may invite the attention of the Land Revenue Commissioner to paragraph 4 of the G. O. passed on his report during the year 1106. It is stated there that there were 7,697 cases pending issue of *pattas* when the year closed. It is also stated that the number was the largest in the Pattanamtitta and Todupuzha taluks.

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Is the member aware that—

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): The member was asking me a particular question; let me be permitted to answer it, Sir, by quoting figures. I do not want to go on beating about the bush. Will the member please tell me on what point he wishes to question me?

MR. S. C. H. ROBINSON (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Does the member know that we cannot issue a *patta* unless the party applies for it?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I realise that. What is the next question, please?

PRESIDENT: You have spoken for about ten minutes, Mr. Nilakanta Pillai, and yet you have mentioned nothing about your committee.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Sir, Mr. Robinson said something this morning about the issue of agricultural loans and how it is benefiting the poor. About that also there is a lot of complaints. First of all the poor people are not in a position to take advantage of the provisions of the Regulation, and we are pressing on the Government the necessity for modifying them and for introducing suitable rules for the disbursement of the loans so that the spirit of the Regulation might be understood and the poor people really benefited. The report of the local Accountant or Provertikar is given much solemnity even in the office of the Land Revenue Commissioner. All sorts of corruptions prevail among the lower staff of the department.

PRESIDENT: Your time is up, Mr. Nilakanta Pillai.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Sir, with reference to all these matters, an able committee has to be appointed to enquire into the working of the Land Revenue Department in its various aspects and to suggest measures for remedying the defects therein.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Can the member suggest any less expensive remedy?

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MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): I do not think the appointment of a committee will be very expensive. I do not want the committee to consist of a hundred persons to roam about the country. These are matters which could be discussed in two days by half-a dozen people. If the Government choose intelligent men who do know business, I think a report could be submitted, covering all the points, in three days.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): Sir, a word in support of the motion. My friend Mr. Nilakanta Pillai drew the attention of the House to question No. 2 asked by me and answered by the Government on the first day of this session. It has been brought to my notice that atrocities were being committed by the Provertikars and Accountants of almost every taluk, especially in Karunagapalli. It is that that induced me to ask the question. I do not know whether it is a matter of general complaint in all other taluks also. Anyhow the answer convinces us that it is true so far as Karunagapalli is concerned. I asked the Secretary in charge of Revenue matters, one question that day, and that was whether there was not an order to the effect that the current revenue paid should be appropriated for arrears pending on that date.

If that were the case, I ask whether there was any instance in which such payment for current revenue was not appropriated for arrrers. The answer for that is contained in the statement supplied by Government. I find that there was at least one such instance. I put the question because, if a *Pattadar* has to pay any tax for the current year, will it not be possible for the Government to appropriate this one chuckram towards arrears due from him, instead of taking coercive steps for the matter of one chuckram and thus compel him to pay 14 chuckrams for tom-tom charges, 21 chuckrams for the expenses in connection with coercive steps, 14 chuckrams on the demand notice, and altogether about Re. 1 chuckrams 11—or in some cases, even more for the purpose of realising 1 chuckram or even less? Is it not heartless that the officers should be given directions to suck the very life blood of the people? Is it not cruel? For the non-payment of 12 cash or 14 cash, the Sirkar has realised Re. 1 chs. 4 from 58 tenants at Karunagapalli. It was conditions similar to these that provoked an outburst from the inhabitants of Karunagapalli just a month back. I did not want to refer to these matters during the sitting of this Council as they were matters pending with Government. As my friend drew the attention of the House to that point, I had to refer to the answers given the other day from the official side.

There is another matter. I have been agitating that the tom-tom charges realised by the Government from the defaulters, are really excessive, exorbitant and unreasonable. I asked a question during the last session of the Council, on the subject. I do not understand the reason why, for tom-tom charges, 14 chuckrams is realised in the mofussil and 21 chuckrams in the municipalities. Because the Secretary

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to Government was new, during the last sitting of the Council, I did not question him further about it. It will be found in the last year's Budget that a provision of Rs. 800 was made; the same amount was provided for the year before. I know for certain that this sum of Rs. 800 is being appropriated by the Tahsildar, and nothing is paid to the tom-tom beaters. At the same time, double or treble the amount is being realised from the parties by way of tom-tom charges. Why should the poor ryot be asked to pay for tom-tom charges when the Government do not really require that? The civil courts are able to get tom-toms beaten at a cost of 4 chuckrams. Why should the Land Revenue Department insist upon more being paid for this?

Another question asked by me, and answered to-day, will show that there is great scope for irregularities being committed by the Land Revenue Department. I asked a question whether the notification published in the *Gazette* was being published under Section 32 of the Revenue Recovery Regulation. I was told that it was being published under a G. O. and not according to the Regulation. If so, under what Section of the Regulation has that G. O. been passed? If I have correctly understood the Regulation, there are provisions in it to the effect that certain detailed information must be given to the party concerned. But that information is never being published in the *Gazette*. The Government do not care to do what the Regulation directs them to do; and they do what the Regulation does not empower them to do.

There are half a dozen other irregularities which I want to bring to the notice of Government. But for want of time I do not refer to them. I support the motion before the House after drawing its attention to the three specific matters suggested above.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Sir, other instances may be cited of callousness in the action of the officers of the department. I wish to refer only to what is being done under the Land Acquisition Regulation in the town. In connection with the railway extension it is well known that lands were acquired. Sir, absolutely no consideration seems to have been shown to the owners of lands that were acquired in several instances. I may refer to one instance of a land acquisition where the people of a number of houses in the town were actually imprisoned, for no offence committed by them, for no fault of theirs for well nigh a month. It may seem strange. People who listen to me may be tempted to take it that I am making highly exaggerated statements. But, Sir, I am making a statement strictly in accordance with what took place. Certain lands were acquired at Vanchiyur. There were a number of houses the access to which was by means of a blind lane. The Land Acquisition Officer, no doubt under instructions from Government as requisitioned by the Railway Engineer, acquired the land with the result that the lane was closed by the railway line. The result was that those who were in the houses opening in the line could not get out of their houses or get in. Sir, one of these houses is occupied by a friend of mine, a High Court Vakil, and he could not go to the Court. In case he wanted to do it, he should tres-

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pass upon the railway line and allow himself to be badly handled by the Railway authorities. He told me that some of his children, who had to go to school were belaboured by the Railway authorities for thus trespassing upon the railway line. Now, Sir, Mr. Robinson says that everything must be done by means of petitions. My friend put in a petition. But still the poor people were denied access to their houses for a number of weeks. Is this the way in which the matter has to be viewed? What is it that was really done by the officers concerned? Was it not a gross infringement, a great violation, of private rights? Is it a small matter? Who was it that did it? It was done by some big officer of Government not by subordinates. I had to approach the Head of the Administration with a petition. The method of moving the Travancore Government—the method of petitioning was resorted to by my friend with my help. He told me, "I am not able to get into my house. My children were actually beaten by the Railway authorities. Can you help me? Here is my petition." "Why not go to the Dewan and tell him?" I replied. He said, It" will be difficult to see the Dewan. He has fixed two days, Mondays and Fridays, for visitors. To-day is neither Monday nor Friday. But if you try you can perhaps see him and tell him." I said, "My position is also similar to his. Anyhow I shall try," I went to the Dewan. He was kind enough to give me an interview. I explained matters to him. The petition was forwarded to the Railway Engineer. And I went to the Railway Engineer with that friend. He said "I have to complete the work within a short period. I can do nothing in the matter. I cannot allow you to go through the railway line." Sir, look at the sympathy of the officer. Then I had to go to the Chief Secretary and request him to write an urgent letter to the Dewan Peishkar. Under the law he had to publish a notification.

MR. E V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): May I know whether in the meantime there was any further instalment of beating?

PRESIDENT; Your time is up, Mr. Thanu Pillai.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): This is not the only instance Sir. There are other similar instances of lands acquired for water supply. One plot of ground has been cut into several bits some of which have now absolutely no access from outside. In some cases again.....

PRESIDENT; Mr. Thanu Pillai, your time is up.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): Sir, I also support the motion. I want to bring to the notice of the Government the sad plight of the people under the Edapalli Chief. For all revenue collection purposes, they are under the Government of Travancore; but whenever they request for a dispensary, a school or a road they are told that they must go to the Chief of Edapalli and request him. The Chief of Edapalli.....

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PRESIDENT: You must confine your remarks to the Land Revenue Department.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI: (*Parur*): It is because the revenue is collected by the Government of Travancore and the Land Revenue Department that I wish to speak upon this subject here. I shall try to confine my remarks to the land revenue collections.

As coercive action in regard to the lands under the Chief are still going on, I would request the Government and the Land Revenue Commissioner to extend the kindness that they have been pleased to show towards the people of this State to the people of that Edavaka also. In my constituency also, the coercive action by the officers to collect land revenue has been the subject of very great grievance. I know a case in which a poor Ezhava woman had to pay 28 chs. for an arrear of 14 chs. that she had to pay to the department. Some moveables were attached from her house and the Provertikar was good enough to remove these moveables to a jenmi's house. She brought the 14 chs. to pay up the tax due from her. Then, she was told that the cost of carrying the moveables to the jenmi's house was 8 chs. It was only a small vessel and the person who carried that was the peon of the Taluk Office. Yet the Provertikar, without any feeling for the woman who brought the 18 chs. with great difficulty, did not give back her vessel. When she offered 20 chuckrams she was still refused her vessel. At last when she paid 28 chackrams she got back her vessel. Such heartless and cruel methods are being pursued by the subordinates of the department.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*): Does the member know that Provertikars are sometimes suspended for not being vigilant at the time of collection?

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*): May be. That only shows that they are allowed to take any measure they like for carrying on the work of collection. In the case of the old woman I was talking about, there was no fear of any complaint. She could not go over to Trivandrum and lodge a complaint in the form of a petition to the Land Revenue Commissioner.

PRESIDENT: The time for discussion of this Demand has come to an end and this motion, and all other motions, lapse.

Mr. S. C. H. Robinson has moved for a grant of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I—Land Revenue. The question is that this Demand be granted.

The question was put and carried and the grant was made.

The following motions lapsed on account of the time limit :—

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM:

10. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,400 for travelling allowance by Re. 1.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN:

11. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,400 for travelling allowance by Rs. 5.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN:

12. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,400 for travelling allowance by Rs. 5.

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Motions for reduction of total grant.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI ;

13. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Re. 1.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI :

14. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Re 1.

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU :

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MR. K. C. CHANDI :

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MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH :

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MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI :

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21. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Re. 1.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM :

22. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs 3.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI :

23. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs. 15.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN :

24. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs. 5.

MR. M. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI :

25 To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs 5.

MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR :

26. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs. 5

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI :

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MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN :

28. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs. 5.

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MR. P. S. MAHOMED :

29. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs. 10.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI :

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MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI :

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35. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 17,354 for Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner by Rs 10.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI :

36. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 86,667 for establishment by Re. 1.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN :

37. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 86,667 for establishment by Rs. 10.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN :

38. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 13,000 for travelling allowances by Rs. 5.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM :

39. To omit the allotment of Rs. 4,350 for rents.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN :

40. To omit the allotment of Rs. 4,350 for rents.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI :

41. To omit the allotment of Rs. 400 for electric current.

Motions for reduction of total grant.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI :

42. To omit the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries.

MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH :

43. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Re. 1

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI :

44. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Re. 1.

MR. K. C. CHANDI :

45 To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Re. 1.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI:

46. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Re. 1.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI :

47. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Rs. 5.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR :

48. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Rs. 5.

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MR. K. KUJUKRISHNA PILLAI:

49. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Rs. 10.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED:

50. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Rs. 10.

MR. E. V. KRISHNA PILLAI:

51. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 80,638 for Division Cutcherries by Rs. 10.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR:

52. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,72,100 for establishment by Rs. 5.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN:

53. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 1,72,100 for establishment by Rs. 5.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN:

54. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 18,000 for travelling allowance by Rs. 10.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI:

55. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 15,000 for improvement of markets by Re. 1.

MR. K. C. CHANDI.

56. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,47,729 for Taluk Cutcherries by Re. 1.

MR. N. JOHN JOSEPH:

57. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,47,729 for Taluk Cutcherries by Re. 1.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI:

58. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,47,729 for Taluk Cutcherries by Rs. 5.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED:

59. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,47,729 for Taluk Cutcherries by Rs. 10.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI:

60. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,47,729 for Taluk Cutcherries by Rs. 10.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR

61. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,47,729 for Taluk Cutcherries by Rs. 100.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI;

62. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 87,192 for Accountants by Rs 1,680.

MR S. KRISHNA PILLAI:

63 To reduce the allotment of Rs. 88,224 for peons by Rs. 960.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN:

64. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,84,211 for establishment by Rs. 2,280.

MR TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN:

65. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,84,211 for establishment by Rs. 5.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI:

66. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,84,211 for establishment by Rs. 190.

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN:

67. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,000 for travelling allowance by Rs. 5.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI:

68. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 800 for tom-tom charges by Rs. 500.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI:

69. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 3,02,211 for Proverti Cutcherries by Rs. 1

MR. K. C. CHANDI:

70. To reduce allotment of Rs. 3,00,211 for Proverti Cutcherries by Re. 1.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI;

70. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,802 for establishment by Re. 1

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MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR :

72. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 5,358 for Kandukrishi Cutcherries by Rs. 5.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI :

73. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 200 for office expenses and miscellaneous by Rs. 50

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN :

74. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 12,633 for Kandukrishi Cutcherries and Nelpuras by Re. 1

MR. JOSEPH KUNJU :

75. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 12,633 for Kandukrishi Cutcherries and Nelpuras by Re. 1

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI :

76. To omit the allotment of Rs. 18,840 for Revenue Supervisors.

MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN

77. To omit the allotment of Rs. 9,912 for supernumerary Accountants

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM

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MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA TARAKAN :

79. To omit the allotment of Rs. 3,552 for supernumerary peons.

MR. K. P. ABRAHAM :

80. To omit the allotment of Rs. 3,552 for supernumerary peons.

MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR :

81. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 61,740 for establishment by Rs. 6,720

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN :

82. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 61,740 for establishment by Rs. 5

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI :

83. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 4,500 for demarcation charges by Rs. 10

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI :

84. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 72,230 for Land Records Establishment by Re. 1

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN :

85. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 996 for Temporary Survey Schools by Rs. 10

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN :

86. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 42,144 for establishment by Rs. 5.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED :

87. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 53,259 for Revenue Survey by Rs. 10 .

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR :

88. To reduce the allotment of Rs. 53,259 for Revenue Survey by Rs. 100.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR :

89. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Rs. 2,500

MR. K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI :

90. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Rs. 800.

MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI :

91. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Re 1.

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MR. S. KRISHNA PILLAI :

92. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Re. 1

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR :

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MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR :

94 To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Re. 1.

MR. R. C. CHANDI :

95. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Re. 1.

MR K. I. KOCHEEPPAN MAPPILLAI :

96. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Re. 1.

MR K. P. MADHAVAN PILLAI :

97. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Re. 1.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI :

98. To reduce the total allotment of Rs 7, 84,054 under Demand I by Re. 1.

MR. K. KRISHNA NAYAR :

99. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Rs. 5.

MR. P. S. MAHOMED :

100. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,05. under Demand I by Rs. 10.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR.

101. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,84,054 under Demand I by Rs. 100

MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN :

102. To reduce the total allotment of Rs. 7,85,054 under Demand I by Rs. 100

The Council adjourned at 5. 16 p. m.

P. VISVANATHA AIYAR,
Secretary to the Legislative Council.

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